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By Telegraph to the New-York Daily Times.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 20, 1856.

Mr. BLAIR moved that the Public Printing be referred to the Committee on Printing.

Mr. BRANCH moved that the Senate bill be referred to the Committee on Post-Offices and Post-Roads.

Mr. BOCOCK moved that the Senate bill be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means

Basis American Politics—Position of Democracy.

NEW-BRITAIN, Conn., Tuesday, Dec. 9, 1856.

To the Editor of the New-York Daily Times:

DEAR SIR: In your able and otherwise well-timed remarks on the Presidency, in your issue of Saturday, I perceive a few words in relation to the position of the Democracy, which, I think, should be explained. Your correspondent, in speaking of the Democratic party, says: "It is the party of the Constitution, of the Union, of the Laws, and of the Rights of the States." Now, Sir, I am a Democrat, and I am proud of the name, and I am proud of the principles which it represents, but I am not proud of the party as it now exists. I am not proud of it, because I do not believe that it is the party of the Constitution, of the Union, of the Laws, and of the Rights of the States. I am not proud of it, because I believe that it has violated the Constitution, by its attempt to force Slavery into Kansas, against the will of the majority of the people of that Territory. I am not proud of it, because I believe that it has violated the Union, by its attempt to force Slavery into Kansas, against the will of the majority of the people of that Territory. I am not proud of it, because I believe that it has violated the Laws, by its attempt to force Slavery into Kansas, against the will of the majority of the people of that Territory. I am not proud of it, because I believe that it has violated the Rights of the States

...ed to the Grand Jury, and that the Grand Jury be instructed to find bills of indictment against the persons implicated in the matter.

Judge Capron thanked the Grand Jury for their attendance, and made a short address to the Superintendent of the Police, alluding to the duty of both officers of the Police and District-Attorney, and stating that it was his duty to apply to the next session of the Legislature, force bills to bring the offenders even to the Grand Jurors to sit at the same time.

The Court then adjourned to this morning at 10 o'clock.

SUPREME COURT—Dec. 19.

Before Hon. Judge Slosson.

The People on the relation of Thomas McSpedon and Charles W. Baker vs. Andrew F. Stout, County Treasurer, &c.

The Same on the relation of Charles Roome vs. The Same.—An alternative mandamus has been issued in each of the above cases, and a motion is now made that a peremptory mandamus issue.

By the first statute it is enacted that on the 10th of January, 1856, a remonstrance was delivered by the Board of Supervisors directing the books of record in the Register's office to be received under the direction of the Commissioner of the Board on County Officers; that the relators were employed to do the said work and performed the same, and that their bill therefor was duly presented to the Board of Supervisors and audited and allowed at the sum of $2,644 50; that the Board of Supervisors directed the defendant to pay the same.

In the second case the relator alleges that he was employed by three of the Supervisors, constituting the Committee on Civil Courts of the Board of Supervisors, to point the rooms occupied by the Superior Court; that he so painted them, and presented his bill to the Board of Supervisors for said work, amounting to the sum of $300; and which said Board has audited and allowed that sum, and directed the defendant to pay the same. J. W. Edmonds for relators; H. V. B. Wilcoxson, for Counsel to the Corporation, for defendant.

Judge DAVIES delivered a lengthy opinion, deciding that the amounts expended in both these cases were legal and proper charges, and that if there were no other obstacle in the way, he should grant a peremptory mandamus in regard to both.

By the Legislature, in the act of April 12, 1853, amending the Charter of the City of New-York, provided that all work done and supplies furnished to the Corporation, involving an expenditure of more than $250, shall be by contract, founded on public advertisement and sealed bids, and given to the lowest bidder. It is conceded that in each of these cases the contracts were not made in conformity with the provisions of the law, and that no charge has been created against the county.

This is on the assumption that the Law of April 12, 1853, amending the Charter, was constitutional. It is insisted on the part of the relators that this act is void, because it was not in fact a law enacted by the Legislature, that they delegate to the people of the City of New-York to say whether or not it should be a law. Law of this State, and that each delegation was unconstitutional, and that some portion of the people of this State cannot say what shall be a law for the whole State.

These suggestions are of force and not free from serious difficulty.

Section 20 of this act provided that the said act should be submitted for the approval of the Electors of the City and County of New-York, at an election to be held on a specified day. Section 21 is that if a majority of the tickets voted at such election contained an approval of said act, then the same should become a law; if a majority of the tickets voted at said election contained a disapproval of the act, then the said act should be void.

Section 1 of article 3d of the Constitution of this State declares that the legislative power of this State shall be vested in a Senate and Assembly.

Section 14 of said article declares that the enacting clause of all bills shall be, "The People of the State of New-York represented in Senate and Assembly do enact as follows," and no law shall be enacted except by bill.

Section 18 declares that no bill shall be passed unless by the assent of a majority of all the members elected to each branch of the Legislature.

It is contended on the part of the relators that this submission of the question, whether the act should or should not become a law, is in conflict with the Constitution, and therefore the act is unconstitutional and void. A similar provision was inserted in the act passed March 26, 1849, in reference to the Free Schools of the State.

The 14th section of that act declared that in case a majority of all the votes cast at the election to be held to vote in relation to the act should be cast against the law, then that act shall be null and void; and in case a majority of all the votes should be cast for the law, then that act should become a law.

By the revised laws of 1813, chapter 49, section 10, this forfeiture is incurred if any supervisor shall neglect or refuse to perform any of the duties required or enjoined on him by law, and such is the provision of the Revised Statutes. By section 10 of title 4, of article 3, of chapter 13, part 1 of the Revised Statutes, it is declared that all accounts for County charges of every description shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors of the County to be audited by them. We have thus seen, that by law the City Inspector was to receive for recording births such sum as should be fixed by the Board of Supervisors of this County, not exceeding ten cents for each birth, the sum to be paid by the Board of Supervisors.

That the Board of Supervisors fixed said fee at ten cents for each birth.

That every sum directed by law to be raised for any County purpose, under the direction of the Board of Supervisors, is a County charge. That all accounts for County charges shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors of the County to be audited by them.

That it is the duty of the Board of Supervisors to examine, settle and allow all accounts chargeable against the county, and to direct the raising of such sums as may be necessary to defray the same.

This Court has decided in the case of Barto vs. Himrod, 8 Selden, 483, that the Legislature has no power to delegate to the people of this State the power to say what shall be a law for the whole State.

It is true, as contended by the counsel for the relators, that the act of June 14, 1858, was but an amendment of that of April 12, and that an amendment of a void law did not make it valid. The case of Bradley vs. Baxter, 15 Barb., 620, is certainly an authority for this position, and if the act of June 14 simply was but an amendment of that of April 12, I should hold that it was no ratification of, nor gave any vitality to, that of April 12.

By a reference to the act amending the School law of March 30, 1849, passed Jan. 31, 1850, (Laws of 1850, chap. 71) it will be seen that the latter act only amends the eighth section of the former, and declares that the act of Jan. 31 "shall take effect immediately."

Judge Pratt, in delivering the opinion of the Court in the case just cited, says: "The Legislature, in passing the act, (that of March 30, 1849,) with a provision to submit the question to a vote of the people, assumed that the Legislature as well as the people were vested with a power which we hold they do not possess. In amending the act we have the right to suppose that they still labored under the same impression. They, therefore, only intended to amend what they supposed to be a valid law of the land, and not to take the responsibility of reenacting the law itself. An amendment made under such circumstances cannot have the effect to make a void law valid."

It seems to me that in this case the Legislature did intend to take the responsibility of reenacting the law itself, and that the language used is more broad and significant than the usual declaration, "that this act shall take effect immediately."

I am, therefore, of the opinion that the provisions of the statute in reference to the duty of the Supervisors to ...

...have been made, is void, and that the relators have no legal claim against the county for the work they have done contrary to these provisions of law, and the mandamus in each case must be denied.

Provisions for the Record of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term.

Before Hon. Justice Davies.

The People ex rel. Thomas K. Downing, vs. Andrew F. Stout, County Treasurer of the County of New-York.—An alternative mandamus having been issued in this cause, and to which a return has been made by the defendant, a motion is now made that a peremptory mandamus do issue.

J. W. Edmonds for relator; H. V. B. Wilcoxson for defendant, Counsel to the Corporation.

DAVIES, Justice.—In 1853 the Legislature of this State enacted a law providing for the keeping a record by the Board of Health of the City of New-York, of each birth, marriage and death happening in said City and reported to him. (Laws of 1853, chap. 74.)

By Section 4 of this act it is provided that said City Inspector should be entitled to receive for his services under this act, such fees for recording each birth, marriage and death as the Board of Supervisors of the City of New-York should by the Board of Supervisors, and for marriages by the Mayor, Recorder and Aldermen, and the fee for recording each birth or marriage was to be fixed by the Board of Supervisors at such sum as they should deem reasonable, not exceeding ten cents.

In pursuance of the authority conferred by this act, the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of New-York, (that being the body evidently intended by the act,) on the 3d of December, 1853, directed that in the fees of the City Inspector for recording births and marriages under the 4th section of the act, the sum of one shilling or 12½ cents should be and the same is fixed at ten cents each. (See proceedings of Board of Supervisors for 1853, pp. 183, 184, 188 and 189.)

The relator was City Inspector for the year 1854 and 1855, and during those years performed the duties enjoined upon him by virtue of this act. After the termination of his official term, and during the present year, he presented his account for such service to the Board of Supervisors of this county, who have audited and allowed the same, and directed the payment thereof by the defendant, the County Treasurer of said County.

He refused to honor the same on the ground that the only fund out of which the same can be paid is the sum of $70,000 authorized by the annual tax bill of 1856 to be raised for County contingencies, and that the whole of the said fund except the sum of $480 had been paid out by him upon what he believed to be legal and proper warrants upon said fund, and he cannot justify he cannot pay the same.

In evidence of such payments, and of the purposes and objects to which the same have been applied, the County Treasurer has furnished the Court with a statement of all drafts drawn upon that fund and paid by him, from which it appears that he has paid from Jan. 1, 1856, to Dec. 9, 1856, the sum of $69,519 68, leaving a balance only in his hands of the sum of $480 32.

The State of New-York, for the purpose of government, is divided into counties, towns and cities. The boundaries of each are defined by the Revised Statutes, and the power, duties and liabilities of each are defined by the Constitution, Laws of the State, or the Charters of the several cities.

Part 1, Chapter 2, Title 1, of the Revised Statutes, contains the division of the State into 60 counties, and defines the boundaries of each. Among the counties enumerated is the County of New-York, and its boundaries are specified.

Title 3d of the same Part and Chapter contains the division of the several counties of this State into towns (except the County of New-York,) and defines the boundaries of each town.

Title 5th of the same Part and Chapter contains an enumeration of the several cities of this State, and their division into Wards, and defines the boundaries of each city and of the several Wards into which the same is divided.

We thus see that for the purpose of civil government, two separate and distinct organizations are established, embracing the same territory, and each possessing its appropriate functions.

The County is constituted for the purpose of State Government, the City for the management of its private property and franchises, and with authority to make all needful by-laws, statutes, rules and regulations useful and necessary for the good rule and government of the Corporation, and of all officers, citizens, inhabitants, and residents of the said city, within the limits thereof.

The powers conferred upon the City Government are defined and declared in Charters granted by the Crown and confirmed by the people of this State, in their several conventions, and by various acts of the Legislature, which have been passed amending these Charters, with the assent of the Corporation.

The powers and duties of the Board of Supervisors are to be found in the Revised Statutes of this State, and in the several acts of the Legislature, conferring specific powers upon them.

Chapter 18th of part first of the Revised Statutes treats of the powers, duties, and privileges of counties, and certain county officers.

Section first, article first, title first, declares that each county in the State, as a body corporate, has capacity to sue and be sued in all matters authorized by law.

To make such contracts, and to purchase and hold such personal property as may be necessary, to the exercise of its corporate or administrative powers.

Section second declares that no county shall possess or exercise any corporate powers, except such as are enumerated in that chapter, or shall be specially given by law, or shall be necessary to the exercise of the powers enumerated or given.

By section third it is provided that all acts and proceedings by or against a county in its corporate capacity, shall be in the name of the supervisors of such county.

By section fourth it is provided that the powers of a county, as a body politic, shall be exercised by the Board of Supervisors thereof, or in pursuance of a resolution by them adopted.

Title second of same chapter relates to the county offices which are declared to be the Board of Supervisors, County Treasurer, Local Officers, and Commissioners of Roads, Clerk of the County, Sheriff and Coroners and Surveyor.

Article first of said title treats of the Board of Supervisors, and declares their powers and duties. Among the most important and pertinent to this investigation are, "To examine, settle and allow all accounts chargeable against such county, *and to direct the raising of such sums as may be necessary to defray the same.*"

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...This they had full and ample power to do, by the Revised Statutes, enacted almost without any further legislative action, and this the Board of Supervisors in duty bound to do, and this State mandatorily do, by virtue of the authority thus conferred.

An application was however made to the Legislature for authority to levy and collect by tax such amounts as was supposed would be necessary for these purposes, and the Legislature at its last session declared that Board of Supervisors to levy and collect by tax the sum of seventy thousand dollars for County contingencies, and this sum has accordingly been levied and collected for this purpose.

It was said on the argument that this does not have been regarded as collected for county contingencies, or county charges, but has been used promiscuously for city contingencies, as well as county contingencies.

It seems to me that the intention is clear, specific and unmistakable, and that this sum was raised for the plain declaration of the Legislature that this sum was raised for the purposes of county contingencies and county charges. The Legislature well knew that there were county contingencies which must be met, and that this sum was raised for them. And I see no other fund authorized to be raised by the annual tax bill which can be applied to the payment of such a fund for such a purpose. We must bear in mind that it is the only fund authorized, in the tax bill which can be thus used, and that this law making this important and significant declaration is one portion of the said revised statutes, enacted contemporaneously with the said revised statutes, and forming a part of the same code. If one part of the code is to be thus disregarded upon the ground that it is not to be carried out, why not another? If one law may be thus disregarded, why not another? I cannot so construe the law.

The Legislature could not intend that the County Treasurer should pay out this money on any warrants which the Board of Supervisors might draw, and that he should be responsible for the correctness of such warrants, and that he should be liable to an action for the recovery of the money paid out upon such warrants, if the Board of Supervisors should not have the power to audit and allow the same. The Legislature could not intend that the Board of Supervisors should have the power to audit and allow accounts, and that the Treasurer should be liable to answer, he must pay all the costs of the action.

SUPERIOR COURT—General Term.

Before All Judges.

Buckmaster vs. Chamberwright.—Order affirmed with costs.

Prosser vs. Sisson.—Order overruled, but without costs.

Carson vs. Hayward.—Order affirmed without costs.

Humphreys vs. Townsend.—Order affirmed.

Nelson vs. Barclay.—Order affirmed. $10 costs, to abide event.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS—Special Term.

Before Judge Daly.

Hannah Fowler, by her next friend, vs. Ernestus Bunn.—Demurrer granted.

Charles Forte vs. John Orser.—Motion to open default granted, on payment of costs.

Antonio Valiente vs. Charles F. Watts.—Motion to dissolve writ of proceedings granted.

COURT CALENDAR—Monday, Dec. 22.

Superior Court.—Nos. 284, 291, 279, 289, 457, 264, 254, 454, 456, 294, 297, 219, 224, 226, 227, 229, 1002, 1004, 16 last instances, 2974, 2981, 2983, 2985, 2975, 2987.

Supreme Court—Circuit.—Nos. 2902, 2137, 30, 6, 1844, 2138, 2139, 2971, 2141, 2800, 2979, 2959, 2972, 1067.

HORRIBLE INDIAN OUTRAGE.—A party of Sioux Indians captured, about the 23d ult., near Glencoe, a Chippewa Indian. The Indians, in council, determined, after retaining the Chippewa in their possession several days, to burn him. Accordingly, on Sunday, the 23d, the Sioux, numbering some seven hundred warriors, took the Chippewa to a point on Buffalo Creek, stripped him naked, and then burned him to death. Our informant derived his information from a teamster who was passing near the spot selected for the terrible outrage, with a wagon loaded with dry goods. All efforts made by him to save the Chippewa were futile. He represents that the Chippewa met all the horrid tortures inflicted on him by the Sioux with the greatest indifference. He was burned at a slow fire, and lingered several hours before he expired. When the teamster passed the Indian was tied to a stake, and the slow fire by which he was destroyed, had but partially consumed his feet and ancles. While tied to the stake, the Indian was scalped and otherwise mutilated. It is supposed this outrage was committed by the Sioux in revenge for the horrible murder of Dakota women, in the Fall, near Lac qui Parle.—*Minnesota Pioneer, Dec. 2.*

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN ST. LOUIS.—On Saturday night, about 11 o'clock, a fire broke out in the scale manufactory of Messrs. JOHNSON & GILLUM, known as the Vulcan Iron and Brass Foundry, which was totally destroyed. The building was partly of wood and partly of brick, having a front on Second-street of 45 feet, and running back 100 feet to an alley. The firemen were promptly on the ground, and by almost superhuman exertions, succeeded in saving the surrounding buildings, which were higher. But from this circumstance, all efforts would have proved futile, on account of the high wind which prevailed. Messrs. JOHNSON & GILLUM estimate their loss at $35,000, and were insured for $17,000, in the Mound City Home Mutual, and two foreign agencies.—*Intelligencer.*

The Fourth Annual Meeting of the Ohio Editorial Association, will be held on FRANKLIN'S Birthday.

MARKET REPORTS.

Markets. *Carefully Reported for the N.Y. Daily Times.*

NEW-YORK, Saturday, Dec. 20—6 P. M.

The rainy weather, to-day, impedes business.

ASHES—Are quiet, yet steady. Stock in the Inspection Warehouse, on Saturday, 668 bbls. Pearls, and 448 bbls. Pots. Receipts, 226 bbls.

COFFEE—Is in slack request at languid rates. Java, 12¼c.@14c.; Laguayra, 11½c.@12¼c.; Maracaibo, 11½c.@12¼c.; Rio, 9c.@11¼c.; and St. Domingo, at 10¼c.@10½c. W B.

COTTON—The demand is fair, but parties disagree about prices. Sales moderate.

NEW-YORK CLASSIFICATION.

	Upland.	Florida.	Mobile and Texas	New-Orleans.
Middling	12¾	13¼	13¾	13¾
Middling Fair	13	13	13¾	13¾
Fair	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market for State and Western is heavy, and 5c. lower, with a partial decline in Canadian. The transactions since our last, comprise about 3,700 bbls. low Mixed to Fancy and Extra, at $7 10@$8 and $8 @ bbl. Rye Flour is scarce and quiet, at $4 50@$5 12½ for Fine to Superfine @ bbl. Corn Meal is tame and barely at $4 25@$4 37½ for Jersey, and $4 75 for Brandywine @ bbl. Buckwheat Flour is plenty and quiet, mainly at $3 25@$3 62½ @ 100 lbs.

FRUIT—The market is heavy and infirm for nearly all kinds.

GRAIN—Wheat is in reduced stock, and held above the views of purchasers. Receipts, however, are rather inactive. The sales comprise about 20,000 bushels, of about 32,000 bushels, including very ordinary to prime Western Red, at $1 62@$1 80; and good ordinary Southern White at $1 68 @ bushel. Rye is more active, and is now worth 87c.@90c. for ordinary to prime @ bushel; 4,700 bushels were sold within this range. Oats are salable and steady, at 42c.@43c. for Old, and 41c.@42c. for State; 46c. @47c. for New, and 44c.@45c. for Southern, @ bushel. Barley is in moderate demand, and is quoted at $1@$1 30 for inferior to choice, @ bushel. Barley Malt commands $1 40@$1 60 @ bushel. Corn is unchanged. There were sales reported of about 36,000 bushels at 81c.@82c. for insound; 70c.@73c. for Mixed, in store and delivered; 71c. for Southern and Yellow; 73c.@75c. for Northern and Southern Yellow, and 74c.@76c. for Northern and Southern White, @ bushel.

HAY—Sales were made of 500 bales River at 85c.@87½c. for shipment; and $1 for local use, @ 100 lbs.

HIDES—The receipts are fair, but the demand is pretty brisk, and prices again favor factors. Stock in first hands about 70,000, against 30,700 same time last year, and 78,500 same time in 1854.

HOPS—New continue plenty and heavy at from 7c.@14c. @ lb. Old rule dull and nominal, at 3c.@5c. @ lb.

IRON—There were 350 tons Scotch Pig bought at $30 00 @$30 50, usual terms, @ ton.

LATHS—Eastern, $1 31½@$1 37½, cash and time, @ M.

LEAD—Is still moderately inquired for at former prices.

LIME—Dealers are selling at 75c. @ cask for New Lime, and 70c. @ cask for Rockland. Sales in every lighterage lot, at 65c. @ cask, near 9th. Rockaway Pozzolana.

NAVAL STORES—Spirits Turpentine is more sought after, and is readily commands 46c.@47c. @ gallon.

OILS—Whale, Sperm, and Olive remain as last noticed. Linseed is now very briskly demanded, mainly on speculation, and is quoted at from 70c.@72c. cash and time, @ gallon, with large sales, mostly of late yet to arrive, within the range. The highest figures of which represent the views of the principal owners towards the close. Lard Oil has not varied much.

PROVISIONS—Pork is salable and steady, the transactions since our last comprising about 800 bbls., in lots, at $19@$19 12½ for old Mess; $19 50@$19 62½ for new do., and $17@$17 87½ for new Prime, @ bbl. No old Prime offering. Dressed Hogs bring, in lots, 7¾c.@8c. @ lb. Cut Meats are in moderate supply and demand, at 8¼c.@10½c. for Hams, and 7¾c.@7¾c. for Shoulders, @ lb. Bacon is in fair demand for immediate and future delivery, and it is quite firm, at from 9½c.@11c. @ lb. Nearly 600 boxes have been sold within the range. Lard is dull and heavy. The transactions since our last reach about 400 bbls. and tcs. ordinary to strictly Prime, at 12¼c.@13¼c. @ lb. Beef is in animated demand, at rising rates. The transactions since our last consist of 2,500 bbls., here and to arrive, as follows: 700 bbls. for Country Prime; $9 50@$12 for Country Mess; $10@$12 for repacked do.; $14 50@$14 75 for new Chicago Mess, and $15 50 for extra do. do., @ bbl. New Prime Mess Beef is plentier, and procurable at $11 @ bbl. Beef Hams are scarce and quiet, at $17@$19 @ bbl. Butter is pretty active and buoyant, at 16c.@17c. for Ohio; 20c.@23c. for common to very good State, and 24c.@26c. for prime to very choice do., @ lb. Cheese is in fair supply and request, at 9c.@10c. @ lb.

RICE—There have been 100 tcs. of common to choice, sold at from $3 75@$4 50 @ 100 lbs.

SUGARS—Are quiet, yet firm, with sales of a few hundred bbds. Cuba, &c., in lots, at 8¼c.@10c. @ lb.

TALLOW—15,000 lbs. prime brought 11½c.@11¾c. @ lb.

WHISKEY—276 bbls. Ohio and Prison were purchased at 30c. @ gallon.

FREIGHTS—Were moderately active and steady. For Liverpool—Cotton, 1-64.@3-32. @ lb.; Flour, 1s. 3d. @ 2s. 9d. @ bbl.; Grain, 6d.@7½d. @ bush.; Beans, 2s. @ 2s. 6d. @ bbl.; and Heavy Goods, 30s.@35s. @ ton. For other ports, proportionate quotations. The latest charters have been: a bark and a brig to Seville, Grain, &c., in ship-per's bags, and Flour, at ; a schooner to Constantinople, Rum, &c., and Coffee on private terms; a brig, 227 tons, to the Coast of Africa and back, $700 @ month; one, 240 tons, bbls. from St. Marys to Marseilles, Lumber, $23; and back from Palermo, $2,800; a schooner from a Southern port to Porto Rico, Lumber, $6, and back to New-York, Sugar, 40c., and Molasses, 2c.; a brig from North Side Cuba, to New-York, 40c. and $8 50; one, 238 tons, to Cardenas and back, 40c. and $8 50; a schooner, 218 tons, same voyage; and @ bbl.; and Molasses, 2c. @ gallon, gross cause; one, 190 tons, two voyages to Porto Rico and back, $1,100 each; a brig from Wilmington to Sagua, Lumber $9, and back to New-York, Sugar, 3c., and Molasses, 2c.; a schooner from Jacksonville to Martinique, Lumber $10, and back to New-York from Porto Rico, 2c. and $9 50; a British brig to Guadaloupe, Lumber, $7; a brig, 154 tons, to Matanzas, $700; one, 196 tons, from Norfolk to Dominica and back to New-York, $2,600; one from Jacksonville to North Side Cuba, Lumber, 3c. and back to New-York, 3c. and $9; and hence to North Side Cuba and back, 35c. and $9; two brigs to South Side Cuba at 3c. and $9; a schooner, 134 tons, to Laguayra and Porto Cabello, $1,400.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG MAN who understands English and German, and is a good penman and accountant, and can come well recommended. Address A. B., this office.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG MAN as Porter, or to attend the counter of a retail store. Can be well recommended. Address A. B., this office, or enquire at No. 13 Kenmare-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN AMERICAN GIRL, as Nursemaid or Seamstress. Can be well recommended. Call at No. 24 Bleecker-st., between Mercer and Greene-sts.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE Boy of City Hall Grammar School, No. 2, Murray-st., between Church and West-sts. Apply at the office of the Institution, between the hours of 10 and 12 A. M.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG MAN of business habits, as Porter, in the City or Brooklyn (prefer). Address CHARLES, Tribune Office.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—A GERMAN PROTESTANT GIRL, who understands English, and can do plain house-work, and is a good worker with the needle, to take charge of children and assist in the work. Also a girl to do the second work. Apply at No. 10 Bond-st., between 9 and 11 o'clock.

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SOCIETY FOR THE PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY.—Female Department, 29 Bond-st., between Broadway and Lafayette-place.—The Annual Meeting of the Society will be held at No. 7 Cortlandt-st., near Broadway, on Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 4 o'clock P. M. The public are invited to attend. The book of names will always be in this office.

LECTURES.

JAMES O. HALL, ESQ., OF THE FARMERS' CLUB, formerly well known as the "Old Man" of Chautauque farmer," will lecture to Clinton Hall Lyceum, THIS EVENING, Monday, Dec. 22, at 7½ o'clock.

Some friends of horticulture in this City, not by any means of the opulent, are desirous of forming a Society for the purpose of cultivating Fruit, and for the purpose of setting out a large orchard in Orange County, and partly to raise funds to defray the expenses of the Society, are desirous of having the trees to be sold in small lots, of from 25 to 50 trees. Tickets sold at the door.

A COURSE OF LECTURES ON MUSIC will be delivered in the Tabernacle, Broadway, by Professor LOWELL MASON, commencing on Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 7½ o'clock. The Lectures will be illustrated by the Boston Academy of Music, and by Choirs and Musical Societies of this City, and will be delivered on the Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings of the 23d, 25th, 27th, 30th and 31st of December, and the 1st, 3d, 6th, 8th, 10th, 13th, 15th, 17th, 20th and 22d of January, 1857, at 7½ o'clock. Gentlemen and Ladies interested in the subject are invited to attend the lectures.

NEW-YORK YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—Lieut. M. F. MAURY, U. S. N., will lecture on *the Parks of the Sea*, at Rev. Dr. Hutton's Church, Washington-square, on MONDAY EVENING, Dec. 22, at 7½ o'clock; doors open at 7. Tickets, 25 cents, may be obtained at the Rooms, and at the doors No. 37 Waverley-place.

GEO. W. COLLORD, Chairman Lecture Com.

FAIRS.

THE FAIR OF THE BAPTIST UNION AID SOCIETY will be held at NIBLO'S, THIS DAY, and continue SATURDAY, 27th, also on MONDAY and TUESDAY, 29th and 30th inst., at the Tabernacle. The Fair will exceed the former one held by this Society, which was the splendid success of the season. Every effort in arrangement and accommodation is made this year, which will render it pleasant, while the articles offered compare with the general result unless. A large assortment of useful, together with a rich variety of fancy articles suitable for holiday presents, will be on sale. In consideration of the object of the Fair the patronage of the public is respectfully solicited and every aid will be rendered.

Tickets of admission, 25c.; under 12 years, admitting two persons; only to obtain at the door.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FAIR.—A FAIR WILL BE held in the Schoolrooms of the Spring-street Church, in Waverley-place, next to the corner of Hammond-st., one block from 6th-av., commencing this evening, and continue two evenings. THIS DAY (Dec. 22d) and TO-MORROW, 23d, to provide the necessary Sunday-school books, enlarge library and other requisites.

The Christmas Song of the Sunday School will be given in the Church on the afternoon of Christmas day, at 4 o'clock.

MERCY PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL FAIR, NO. 598 BROADWAY.—The ladies desire to call attention of the charitable and benevolent to their Fancy Fair, now open at the above number, where they will be pleased to receive your contributions and purchases.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

PROFITABLE AND HONORABLE EMPLOYMENT FOR THE WINTER.—A gentleman or lady in each of the principal towns in the country can secure a profitable employment, by addressing, or to fill up their leisure hours, may have it by inclosing two stamps, to pay postage, to Box 1, T. HORNE, Box No. 1,111 New-York Post-Office. Every one must be fitted to either sex; station in life is immaterial. It was article of daily consumption, and is used in any person in any dwelling; needed in every house in the Union.

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The Huntingdon Trial—The Court and the Newspaper Press.

What a pity it is that the good old days of ... Chamber Courts could not be revived,—when the Judges and the Lawyers and the prisoner had it all to themselves,—when outside impertinence was excluded and the gaping world was forced to content itself with the ... without comment upon the process or knowledge of the means, by which it had been ... It is to be too much to hope for the restoration of so golden an era of jurisprudence as this. Judges may still sigh for the ... which Jeffreys enjoyed, and fluent pleaders can make eloquent arguments on behalf of punishing the expression of an opinion while a case is pending, as a contempt of Court and a serious injury to all who may be concerned therein.

Unfortunately, however, even these badges of distinction are not likely to be again conferred upon our judicial tribunals. Things have changed wonderfully, in this respect, as in many others, within a hundred years. Courts of law have been thrown open to the public gaze, and there is no man bold enough to propose to shut them again. Whenever a great issue of public interest is tried in a Court of justice, the public have a right to stand by and watch its progress; and every member of that great body corporate has a right to express his opinion upon each successive step that may be taken therein. The few whose leisure will allow them to do so, go in person. The vast multitude go by proxy. Their "miraculous organ" the Press goes and listens for them, and lays before them daily a report, more or less complete of all that may have been said or done, which they would probably be desirous to know. And it enjoys and claims exemption on their behalf, the right of expressing its own opinions upon the conduct of the prisoner and his counsel,—of those who prosecute in the name of the People, and even of that awful personage, the Judge himself.

This is the case of things which exists here in the nineteenth century. The liberty of discussion which is thus exercised is a public right guaranteed by the Constitution, held by the Press as a portion of the public and as in some sense its special representative, and conducive on the whole beyond all doubt to the public good. If it is abused it can be punished. If facts are misstated, they can be corrected. If character is assailed, the assailant can be punished. But within the limits of law the right of every man in the community to listen to what the Judge, the prisoner, the Counsel or the Jury, in any judicial trial, may say,—to report it, and to comment on it as he may see fit, is as perfect as any other right, and no more to be disputed or called in question than the rights of property or of personal security. Every now and then it is pompously controverted in some Court of Justice, and the Press which sees fit to exercise it, is reprimanded and held up to public censure by counsel on the one side or the other, and sometimes by the presiding Judge himself. The Counsel is generally excusable for his course, for it is part of his plan,—it operates as an appeal *ad misericordiam*, and by enlisting sympathy on one side or the other, is often made to help his case. The Judge has usually no other motive for falling into the custom, than an amiable desire to augment his own importance and exhibit the extent and depth of his own profound wisdom.

In the Court of Sessions, *on Saturday*, the Times was hauled over the judicial coals for its remarks upon the defence of *insanity* set up in the case of Huntingdon on trial for forgery. Mr. Brady, of the prisoner's counsel, while professedly conceding the right of the Press to discuss such matters, and declaring his own belief that such discussion would materially aid his client's case, complained that the Times had made two statements in regard to the subject which were erroneous,—first, in saying that the prisoner's counsel admitted the acts charged in the indictment,—secondly, in saying that the insanity which would be pleaded in defence was of a novel kind, unknown to medical jurisprudence. If this is so, the Times will most assuredly correct its error;—indeed it would be absurd to suppose that there was any intent to misstate the case, as the same number of the Times contained a verbatim report of the eloquent speech of the prisoner's counsel. In that speech occurs the following paragraph, which *we may be excused*, perhaps, for having regarded as a virtual concession that *the acts* charged upon Huntingdon as forgery were actually committed by him:

> Gentlemen, let us look at the half million now remaining out of the twenty millions of the forged paper to which I have alluded. I wish I had it all here, that you might see it.—it would fill a basket of no inconsiderable size. He forged it, too, while occupying the identical chair which the great railroad forger, Robert Schuyler, occupied. We shall be able to show you that some of this paper bore fictitious names—that it bore the names of high and low, from the errand boy in his office, to his poor lawyers, and from them up to your merchant princes. To use the slang phrases of the brokers, it ranged from "sore eyes" up to "gilt edges." We shall show you that the signatures were written without any attempt at imitation. And that the whole of it was so bungled, and that there was such a similarity in the lithographic blanks used, that it is wonderful how any men of sense could credit them for an instant. We shall show you that he signed the names of firms with individual initials,—sometimes leaving out a name, sometimes putting in an extra name, and sometimes reversing the order of the names. We shall show you that, in the course of the series of forgery, he has fraudulently signed names from A to Z. If there he might have obtained the genuine

This certainly looks like an admission that Huntingdon had committed "forgery" to a very large amount. And in a subsequent part of the same speech, it was declared that an acquittal would be claimed on the ground that these acts of forgery were committed under the influence of a *monomania*, which rendered Huntingdon morally irresponsible for his acts.

Judge Capron felt bound to follow Mr. Brady's complaints of the Press, by haranguing the jury upon the impropriety of reading anything in the newspapers about the trial,—reports of evidence, comments, or anything else; by stigmatizing the reports of the Press in general as grossly inaccurate, and by graciously conceding that "after the trial is finished, and the rights of the people and the prisoner have been determined and settled forever, editors have a right to publish, print, and read their own views upon the subject, provided they do it with the courtesy that belongs to gent'emen." This is set forth as a judicial determination of the limits within which the liberty of the Press may be exercised. For ourselves, we respectfully repudiate the restriction. We claim, and shall at discretion exercise, the right of discussing anything that may be said or done in any public Court of law, upon any subject of public interest and importance. Whether Judge Capron or the Jury think it safe to read what we may deem it our duty to say, is their affair, not ours.

This whole system of criminal trials is becoming a farce. Ignorance of the whole case is the first and last thing required of those who are to decide upon the question of guilt or innocence. No man must have formed any opinion, imbibed any impression, or read any account of the case. Utter ignorance of what may have been reported of it in the newspapers is insisted on: inability to read those papers, indeed, seems to constitute the perfection of a juryman. When, after a long chase, twelve such men have been captured and caged, the prisoner is set before them,—but is not allowed to be examined, or say a syllable, on the point which they are all anxious to ascertain, and which he is, perhaps, the *only* man who thoroughly understands. Witnesses are called—not so much to tell what they know as to be subjected to the torturing arts of opposing lawyers,—whose business it is to browbeat, puzzle, confuse and entice them into as many contradictory statements as possible,—by way of leading the Jury to a clear and accurate knowledge of the facts. When this is all done, then the lawyers take the Jury *in hand*,—each doing his utmost to refute what the other may have said, to draw off attention from the strong points of his opponent, to confuse the judgment of jurors, or by appeals to sympathy and to prejudice to secure a verdict. The Judge winds up the whole proceeding by a despairing attempt to disentangle the snarl which five or six days have been employed in weaving, and then the twelve are sent out to make what they can out of the hopeless mass of confusion into which the whole affair has been thrown.

And throughout the whole the constant and repeated warning of the Judge is—*don't read the newspapers!* This may be essential to the harmony of the whole proceeding, for a perusal of these journals might offset and embarrass the efforts of counsel to confuse and confound the Jury. It is safe certainly to let them alone;—and we trust that nobody connected with the Huntingdon trial will encounter the risk of reading what we have now had to say upon that subject.

Homeless Children.

At all seasons of the year, the number of wretched little children in our streets who have no homes to go to, nor any parents or guardians to provide them, is fearfully large; but, in the Winter, they seem to suddenly increase. The severity of the weather drives them to seek shelter under cover in any warm nook where they can stow themselves; and they are compelled to beg for food because the facilities for stealing are not so great as in the Summer time. They are probably no more numerous in cold weather, but only more obtrusive. In the passage-ways of buildings where there are offices warmed by steam, they may be found nights lying together round the pipes, huddled *in heaps for the sake of* mutual warmth, like a nest of black snakes. There is a vast number of *little girls, too, who are found among these* outcast children, whose future career cannot be regarded as problematical. Degradation, suffering and crime must be the portion of the majority of these unfortunates. But there is no need that it should be so. These unhappy creatures are the children of the public, and the law makes ample provision for their welfare. It is the duty of somebody to see that they are not defrauded of their rights, and that society is not visited with the curse of their being neglected. Private charity at last wearies of the incessant demands made upon it by the appeals of these little sufferers, and they are left to the officers of the law whose duty it is to take them in hand. Policemen and volunteer dog-killers see that no member of the canine family *is permitted to go* at large during the dog-days without being properly muzzled as the law directs; but children are of more consequence than *dogs*, capable of doing an infinite deal more both of good and of harm. The law is equally stringent respecting them as it is towards dogs. Why, then, are they not taken care of?

The statute of 1853 makes it the duty of every policeman who finds a vagrant child to take it in charge, and call upon a Magistrate to have it provided for. The Magistrate must compel the parents or guardian of the child to give bonds that it shall be taken care of and sent to school; and when there is no parent, as is often the case, then the law directs that the child shall be provided for at the public expense.

So there is no necessity for the painful spectacle which is so common in our streets, and which *is* so disgraceful to our humanity—of little boys and girls without homes or comfortable clothing picking up a precarious living by pilfering and begging, and being trained up for subjects to fill our prisons hereafter. An immense amount of money is expended for private charities to alleviate the sufferings of the poor, and there is much suffering which hides itself, and cannot be relieved; but the open, and almost arrogant poverty of the little homeless vagabonds of our streets is so needless as it is distressing. If the policemen will not attend to their duty in arresting these little unfortunates, and seeing them properly bestowed, it might be a good plan to induce others to do so, by offering a small reward for every ragabond child who is taken out of the street, and carried to a magistrate, as in the case of stray dogs in Summer.

The Walker Meeting.

The inevitable Captain Bernard was the principal orator at the meeting held on Saturday evening to sympathize with General Walker. He made the first speech, the longest and the best. Two or three other gentlemen spoke also, but the Captain fired the big gun. He took occasion at the outset to put the Times right as to its relations towards the Federal Government. He denied that he had permitted any "abusive language" to be used at the previous meeting in his presence in regard to Mr. Marcy, the Secretary of State. He held office under the Federal Government and understood his position too well to permit anything of the kind. It was true "he *differed* from Secretary Marcy," but he did it respectfully. We accept the correction and make the amendment.

The object of the meeting was to raise money, provisions and men to be sent to General Walker. The staple of all the speeches was abuse of Great Britain, a purpose to extend the American flag over Central America, and the necessity of going to the rescue of the Americans now in peril in Nicaragua. The last sentiment is natural and proper. There is always a deep and earnest sympathy with our countrymen who are suffering in any part of the earth, no matter how directly their misfortunes may be traced to their own misconduct. We should heartily rejoice if every one of them could be rescued from the perils by which, at the last accounts, they seemed to be surrounded. Unless, however, reinforcements *shall have* reached Walker from New-Orleans before this time, their chance of aid from this quarter is not very promising. Nothing was said at the meeting of Gen. Walker's emphatic denunciation of this country and the declaration of his purpose never to permit the annexation of Nicaragua to the United States. It was quietly assumed that this was said solely for the purpose of accomplishing some immediate object, and that it was not true. Nor was there any very lucid explanation of the manner in which England is taking measures against the interests of the United States either there or elsewhere.

About $1,500 and a large quantity of provisions were pledged at the meeting in aid of Walker, and notice is given that they will be sent out by the *Tennessee*. To what extent the *officers of the* Government will interfere *with* such a purpose, remains to be seen.

The New-England Saints.—To-day is the two hundred and thirty-sixth anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims on Plymouth Rock, and the descendants of the *May Flower* saints, in all parts of the Union, celebrate the *day in religious* and social festival. They are right in doing so. The Pilgrim spirit has been *the salt which has savored the morals of the* nation, and whatever we have to boast of that makes us respected as a people, and a great power of the earth, *may be traced to its source* in that band of heroes who landed in Massachusetts Bay, in the bleak month of December two hundred and thirty-six years ago. The descendants of the Pilgrims may be accused, and with some degree of propriety, of making a rather ostentatious parade of the virtues of their forefathers, and of being rather arrogant in their saintly assumptions. But still no one will dispute their right to observe this day as a festival, and, if the descendants of any of the other first settlers of any other part of the country can make as good, or better claim, for their forefathers, let them do it. Two hundred and thirty-six years is but a brief period in the history of a people, but what mighty results have been achieved by the descendants of the Pilgrim Fathers in that time!

The New-Englanders in this City will, as usual, hold their festival at the Astor House, and the "blarney stone of America" will, as usual, be polished up on the occasion, until it sparkles like a gem of the first water.

Theory and Practice.—The *Tribune* has caught up a floating rumor, that the *Editor of* the Times was not long since challenged to fight a duel,—and parades it before the public, *mainly for the sake of denouncing him for not* having forthwith handed the challenging party over to the police authorities.

We leave the party complained of to the full weight of the *Tribune's* displeasure, a burden to which, we presume, he has become somewhat accustomed. Our purpose, in alluding to the matter at all, is merely to note the remarkable difference between the *Tribune's* practice and theory in such matters. About a year ago the Editor of the *Tribune* was assaulted violently in the streets at Washington by Hon. Mr. Rust, whom he had assailed with severity in his columns. He not only declined, however, to vindicate the liberty and independence of the Press, by taking his assailant into a court of justice, but did not even appear there *as a witness* against him, when the superior zeal of somebody else had caused him to be arraigned. He probably took *the liberty* of thinking that so long as he obeyed the law himself, he was not called upon to volunteer his services as a police officer to enforce its obedience upon everybody else.

Confession Good for the Soul.—The *Herald* pleads guilty to having puffed all the swindling mining and stock companies we enumerated on Saturday, and says that the list might be greatly extended. We don't doubt it in the least. There hasn't been a stock-jobbing bubble of any kind blown in Wall-street for twenty years which the *Herald* has not puffed into notice,—until it had induced thousands of poor and honest men among its readers to invest their money in them, and then they have exploded. Not a year has passed in which the *Herald* has not thus transferred from the pockets of the men who put faith in its statements thousands of dollars to the hands of the managers of these swindling concerns.

More Insanity.—At this season of the year it will be prudent to guard against a general insanity which is developed among all classes; it manifests itself chiefly in an extravagant expectation of being complimented with a costly present, while in some it shows itself in a desire to give everything to everybody. Dealers in fancy articles manifest most alarming symptoms of insanity compared with which the financial operation of the insane Huntingdon were rational and business-like. They have an idea that nothing gives the public such satisfaction during the holiday season as paying three or four times the value of an article for the sake of making an extravagant present. We know an excited shopkeeper in Broadway, who says he finds it difficult to have sufficiently high priced articles for his customers. If he is not insane, his customers clearly must be.

But the *Evening Post* relates an instance of insanity which is said to be prevalent in fashionable circles, which we had not before heard of. The *Post* says it is customary to hire costly wedding presents of the jewelers, and after they have been used to dazzle the eyes of the *guests*, and excite their envy at the happiness of the bride, to return them to the shop from which they were borrowed. There have been a good many magnificent weddings lately, which have been the talk of the town; but we hope their magnificence was not all bogus. Of course none but a hopelessly insane person would be guilty of such practices as the *Post* has exposed. It is time to enlarge our lunatic asylums.

American Writers in European Periodicals.—The Boston *Chronicle* thinks that the Edinburgh *Review* will not be likely to publish any more articles from an American pen, because the authorship of the article on the crisis in American politics, in its last issue, has been disclosed by a discussion which it caused in Congress. But we do not see that this should have any such effect. An article in the Edinburgh *Review*, like an article anywhere else, must depend on its intrinsic merits for its value, and not upon the nationality of the writer. The fact that the Edinburg article has caused so great a commotion, and been made the subject of a discussion in the United States Senate, would, we should imagine, make the Editor of that renowned quarterly anxious to publish more from the same quarter. There are many more contributions from American pens published in the English periodicals, than are generally suspected of a cis-atlantic authorship. As foreign writers cannot be so well-informed on the subject of our politics as Americans, we should suppose it would be very desirable to the publishers of the great British Reviews to have *contributions from this* side, and as they pay much better than our own quarterlies and magazines, we should say that they offered a very good field for our *literati*.

Our City Charter.—We alluded the other day to a case in our Courts involving the constitutionality of the State law of 1853, amending our City Charter. The case was decided by Judge Davies on Friday last. The Judge holds that the law of the 12th of April, 1853, making sundry amendments to the City Charter and providing that they should go into effect, if approved by the people, and not otherwise, was unconstitutional and null, according to the decision of the Court of Appeals in case of the Free School Law, *which was pro*nounced unconstitutional on similar grounds. But in this case, the Legislature, at the same *session, passed a supplementary act providing* that this act of April 12 should "take effect immediately;" and Judge Davies holds that *this act cured the imperfections of the pre*vious action of the Legislature.

So it seems our City Government has a legal existence after all.

American Pedestrians.—The death of Lady Stafford, in England, one of the three granddaughters of Charles Carroll of Carrollton, who married an English nobleman, has again given rise to remark on the singular circumstance of three sisters marrying noblemen of the highest rank; but the coincidence is still greater in this case, as neither of the sisters had offspring, so that no American blood was infused into the peerage by them. Their niece, Miss McTavish, of Baltimore, married a brother of Lord Carlisle, but parted from her husband after living with him but a short time. There have been but two other American women who have married English noblemen, Miss Bingham, wife of the first Lord Ashburton, and Miss Cadwallader, the wife of the first Lord Eskrine; both of these ladies were na*tives of Philadelphia.*

The Unpardonable Sin—A Caution to Authors.—The New-Orleans *Courier* says that N. P. Willis "has lost his voice for *Southern ears*," and that Paul Fane is "just worthy of the man who gave his 'virgin vote'" for Fremont. No author who has the courage to say his soul is his own may expect to be read at the South, after this.

Amusements.

Niblo's Garden.—The Fyne and Harrison troupe give their version of Auber's "Crown Diamonds," to-night, with Miss Louisa Fyne, Mr. Guilmette, and Mr. Harrison in the principal parts.

Wallack's Theatre.—A new drama by that excellent writer, Mr. Chas. Dance, will be produced here to-night. It is called the "Victor Vanquished," and will be sustained by the principal members of this unrivaled company. After which the powerful melo-drama of "Pauline," ending with the farce called "Kill or Cure." Mr. Stuart has a rich treat *in store for* the holiday folks: another burlesque, called "Hiawatha," will be produced in the same *style of* irresistable jollity that characterized the "Po*cahontas*" of last year,—but with more musical attractiveness. Mrs. John Wood, of the Boston stage, Mr. Leach, formerly of the Trifilon Opera Troupe, and a well selected and powerful chorus, have been engaged expressly for this work.

Broadway Theatre.—This popular place of amusement opens for the season to-night, after a forced recess of six months, during which Mr. Marshall has suffered much loss from the vexatious proceedings of a neighbor. The theatre has been redecorated, and presents a handsome appearance for the new campaign. The company includes the names of many well-established favorites of the New-York public, such as Mr. Blake, Mr. Placide, Mr. Davenport, Mad. Ponisi, Mrs. Davenport, &c. Bulwer's play of "Lady of Lyons" has been selected for the opening night—the principal character being sustained by Mr. Loraine—an English actor who is said to be excellent. After the drama, the farce of a "Roland for an Oliver."

Laura Keene's Theatre.—The popular drama of "Camille" is announced for repetition to-night, with the farce of "A Curious Case." Some of the music of Verdi's "Traviata" has been transferred to this English version of the opera, but readers will re*member that "Traviata" and "Camille" are the* same.

Burgess's Theatre.—One of the most charming ballet divertissements on the stage makes her appearance here to-night. We refer to Miss Julia Bennett. Mr. Hunter produces the comedy of the "Jealous wife," for the occasion. Mrs. Barrow assuming the role of Mrs. Oakley. The spectacular tale of the "Bottle Imp" will be produced here for the holidays.

Barnum's Museum.—On the principle of taking time by the forelock, the active and enterprising manager of the Museum produces his Christmas novelty to-night. This is none other than our charming little friend "Cinderella," who will once more go through all her trials and handships. The fairy extravaganza has been produced with all possible care, and is bound to make a success.

National Theatre.—Mr. Purdy is also in the field in advance of time. A great extravaganza has long been in preparation. It is called "Planche; or the Lively Fairies," and will be produced to-night *in a style of* great magnificence and splendor. Two other pieces are also on the programme: "The Mistress of Toledo" and "Imogene."

Buckley's Serenaders.—The famous burlesque of "Cinderella" is still the leading attraction here, in addition to the usual Ethiopian minstrelsie features.

MARINE ITEMS.

Shipwrecks at Barnegat, N. J.—Lives Lost it is Feared.

The telegraph from Squan Village, N. J., reported, yesterday, that the packet-ship *New-York*, of the Blackball (Liverpool) liners, was ashore about three miles north of Barnegat Inlet, and bilged. She has about three hundred passengers on board, and up to 10 o'clock yesterday, it was so rough no communication could be had with the ship, and no assistance rendered. Much anxiety is felt for the fate of the passengers. The wind, however, having been from the westward during yesterday, the heavy swell caused by the late southeast blow must have ceased, and an opportunity thus afforded for landing the passengers in safety.

The *New-York* is commanded by Capt. McKenzon, and sailed from Liverpool Nov. 12, with an assorted cargo, and 300 passengers. The Underwriters' tug-steamer *Achilles* being down the bay when the information was received, they dispatched the wrecking-schooner *Excelsior*, in the afternoon, for the scene of the disaster. The tug returned about 4 o'clock, P. M., but up to midnight had not been ordered to the relief of the wreck.

By the same telegraph we also learn that an unknown ship, or other vessel, with master gone, is ashore about two miles south of Barnegat Inlet, but too far from the beach to receive any help. Men can be seen upon the decks, but whether she is a passenger vessel or not is not stated.

Ship *Adelaide*, from Callao, reports having experienced a "furious gale" during the day and night of the 13th inst., in the Gulf Stream; hove to for a pilot off Cape Henry, intending to enter Hampton Roads, but getting no pilot, and a heavy southwest gale coming on, she sout for Sandy Hook. On the 15th, lost overboard Louis Ozzer, (seaman,) of Bordeaux, France. See marine list, for vessels spoken, &c.

New Steamer Arrived.

The Belgian Steamship Company's new steamer *Constitution*, Capt. Panoin, arrived at this port, (her first voyage,) from Antwerp, Nov. 15, and landed her passengers on Saturday, 179 in number, at Castle Garden; the Captain reports much hail, snow, and frost during the last three days.

☞ The number of vessels in this port on Saturday was 369,—including 34 steamers, 120 ships, 128 barks, 190 brigs, and 291 schooners. Shipowners report a slightly renewed scarcity of seamen, without any material change in their remuneration. They get, for Liverpool, $20 per month, with $30 in advance; London, Havre, and ports in Northern Europe, $20 per month, and $30 in advance; Mediterranean and South America, $18 per month, and $30 in advance; West Indies, $18 per month, and $19 in advance; East Indies and California, $15 per month, and $30 in advance; Coasting, $20 per month, and $10 in advance.

NEW-YORK CITY.

New-York City Tract Meeting.

On Sunday evening the Thirtieth Anniversary of the City Tract Society was held at Rev. Dr. Hutton's Church, Washington-square. From the annual report which was read at the meeting, we learn that this Society has now 300 missionaries, including two Assistants; the present number of visitors reported to the Board is 1,006; the average number *during the year has been 1,001*; and the following results have been enumerated: 1,522,947 Tracts distributed, containing 6,090,788 pages; 899 Bibles and 1,001 Testaments supplied to the destitute, on behalf of the New-York Bible Society; 5,464 volumes lent from Ward libraries; 2,599 children gathered into Sabbath, and 941 into Day Schools; 201 persons into Bible-classes; 2,016 persons induced to attend church; 374 temperance pledges obtained; 1,918 religious meetings held; 73 backsliders reclaimed; 318 persons hopefully converted; and 153 converts united with evangelical churches.

The above facts are sufficiently illustrative of the activity of the benevolent agency employed, and of the extent of that moral destitution which forms the best argument for the continued support of the Society.

The Evening Schools.

The Evening Schools will close their last term for the current year on Tuesday night, the 23d inst., for the Holidays, and will commence their first term for 1857 on the first Monday evening in January next. The usual certificates of merit will be given out in the various schools on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

☞ Mr. Willis' second lecture before the Board of Education was postponed, Saturday evening, on account of the rain; until this evening. There being, however, quite a collection of teachers and others at the Hall, on Saturday evening, a good time musically was extemporized. Solos were given by Misses Holman and Hawley, Commissioner David Weed, Mr. Willis, Mr. Payne and others. The audience expressed particular satisfaction.

The Cold Term Ended.

The cold term, which commenced on the 15th, (Monday,) between 3 and 4 o'clock *A. M.*, terminated this morning, between 4 and 5 o'clock; its duration was *one hundred and twenty-one hours*, falling short of the measure of five and a half sections of the circle about three hours, which is used at the period of the Winter solstice. In a communication *I* addressed to the Regents of the University of the State of New-*York, in 1848*, and contained *in their report to the* State Legislature, (see *Senate printed Document*, No. 71,) I said the solstice cycles fall short of cycles at *other seasons in the proportion of one-thirtieth (1-30)* the measure of the circle. Subsequent observations have verified this measure then suggested to my mind, and then put on record.

Yesterday the temperature rose from 2° to 3° above zero, between 6 and 7 o'clock A. M., and in about 32 hours and thirty minutes from the time the cold left its lowest line it passed above the freezing line, accompanied by a fall of rain.

The temperature rose gradually, yesterday, till 1 o'clock P. M., when it reached 16°, and only fluctuated one degree for eight hours, at the close of which it again commenced rising, and continued upwards until it reached 38° at 8 o'clock of the day.

There have been eight terms of *Equilibration* of temperature during the cycle of from 7 to 9 degrees duration, each indicating shocks of earthquake at distant points.

E. MERIAM.

Brooklyn Heights, Saturday, Dec. 20, 1856.

☞ The Sixth Ward Evening School for Girls, held in No. 24 Elm-street, (Miss C. Fergusson's,) has a register of 253, with an average attendance of 172. This school was first established this season, and has been unexpectedly successful. *Drawing and Stitching* are taught with considerable success.

The Male School, under the care of Mr. McFee with eight assistants, has a register of 697, with an average attendance of 502; the highest number present at one time 526. The class in *Mechanical and* Architectural Drawing has made excellent progress. *The attendance is double what it was last year*, probably owing to the closing of No. 93 in James-street.

☞ New-York Hospital Weekly Report to Dec. 6, 1856: Remaining on Dec. 13, 304; admitted to Dec. 19, 59; discharged, cured or relieved, 45; Died, 7; Remaining at date, 304; males, 257; females, 47.

LONG ISLAND.

Fulton-avenue Railroad Extension.

Some weeks ago, in compliance with numerous petitions, the Brooklyn Common Council adopted a resolution requiring the Brooklyn City Railroad Company to complete their track in Fulton-avenue from the present terminus to Hunterfly-road,—a distance of nearly one mile—by the 31st instant. To this the Company replied that it was impracticable to lay the track at this season of the year, and asked an extension of time. The matter was referred to the Railroad Committee, and on Friday the Committee visited the locality, and decided to report in favor of extending the time until the opening of Spring, as asked for by the Company.

Brooklyn Medical Society.

At a meeting of the Brooklyn Medical Society, held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16, 1856, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President.—John Bell, M. D., 1846; S. Clark, M. D.

Corresponding Secretary, R. Jones, M. D.

Recording Secretary, S. S. Bell, M. D.

Treasurer, Jos. Taylor, M. D.

The regular meetings are to be held in the Brooklyn Institute, on the second Tuesday of each month. These meetings are open to visitors, and a free interchange of views, for mutual benefit in their profession.

Gas.

Several citizens, possessing wealth and occupying influential positions, are taking the necessary steps to get up a new Gas Light Company in the city of Brooklyn. It is intended to make application to the next Legislature. They propose to furnish gas at 40 cents less on a thousand feet than the present Gas Company, and at much lower rates hereafter, only reserving a reasonable interest, which is to be limited in the act of incorporation. It is, in fact, intended to be the "People's Gas Company."

Mortality in Brooklyn.

During the week ending Saturday last, there were 42 deaths reported in Brooklyn: Males, 26; Females, 21; Adults, 29; Minors, 20.

Principal Diseases—Scarlet fever, 5; consumption, marasmus—7 each; congestion of the lungs, croup, inflammation of the lungs, 3 each; apoplexy, congestion of the brain, convulsions, 2 each; dropsy, hooping cough, hydrocephalus, typhoid fever, 1 each.

Burglary.

House No. 5 Clinton-street was entered by a burglar, Saturday, and property to the value of $100 taken away.

☞ The house of Charles H. Byrne, on Third-avenue and Middle-street, Gowanus, was entered by burglars on Friday night last, and property to the value of $60 stolen.

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A suit would be commenced!"
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To a debt more dear and true—
For Cash he had been courted
And dressed for love then paid!

He paid it, too, he paid it
Though purchase was the same;
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From the Daily Standard, Syracuse, Nov. 15, 1856.

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himself, who achieved on it one of his most brilliant triumphs on the occasion of his "Farewell to France," has pronounced it perfect.

A full assortment of these Organs are offered for sale on the most favorable terms to the trade, at the depot No. 51 Dey-st., by A. BERNARD.

TOYS AND FANCY GOODS FROM ADCTION.—We have just received a full assortment of the above goods, also a collection of magnificently decorated China vases, dinner and tea sets, Celestial boxes, bronze clocks, Parian marble ornaments, glass ware, &c., &c., which we are prepared to sell at about one half the regular prices.

McCORMACK & SIMPSON,

No. 126 Grand-av., City, and No. 366 Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

WHAT IS MORE APPROPRIATE FOR A Christmas present than a pair of Cahill's Embroidered Slippers. A superb assortment of which he has now ready for inspection. Also, many styles of Ladies and Gents over-gaiters, particularly water-proof, just imported. Purchasers would do well to examine his stock before buying elsewhere. S. CAHILL,

No. 377 Broadway, 2 doors below White-st.

PIANOS, MELODEONS AND MUSICAL GIFTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.—As an inducement to those purchasing presents, HORACE WATERS', No. 333 Broadway, Agent for the sale of the most celebrated Pianos and Melodeons, has reduced his prices lower than ever before offered the public. He will also present one dollar's worth of Music to those who buy the same amount from the Waters catalogue.

FOUNTAIN'S INDIA STORE, NO. 635 Broadway, is filled with goods (per late arrivals) from China, Calcutta, Manila, Japan, Persia, Russia, &c., embracing every obtainable variety of curious, useful and novel articles, dress and fancy goods. Citizens and strangers are invited to examine the great variety now offered at wholesale and retail.

☞ N. B.—Goods imported to order.

ROQUE DU PERRIGORD, No. 560 BROADway, will open on Thursday, 18th inst., a splendid assortment of fancy boxes and other rich articles. Mr. Roque has just returned from Paris with a rich assortment of bonbons, chocolates, fruits, fancy boxes, baskets, Christmas trees ornamented with toys, selected especially as presents for the holidays.

CHRISTMAS TREES.—LADIES INTENDING to purchase Christmas trees will find a beautiful assortment, both trimmed and untrimmed, to which their attention is respectfully invited at THOMPSON'S Saloons, Nos. 171 and 173 Atlantic-st., and No. 20 Clinton-st., Brooklyn.

COOPER'S REFINED SHEET AND SHRED ISINGLASS.—A prime article for Manufacturers and table cooking, for private and family use. To be obtained of the principal grocers and druggists in the City and throughout the United States.

PETER COOPER, No. 17 Burling-slip.

BEAUTIFUL PRESENTS FOR THE HOLYDAYS.—All the choice engravings handsomely framed, rich watercolor boxes, ditto for oil and pastel painting, drawing instruments, &c., for sale by

W. SCHAUS, No. 639 Broadway.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF EMBROIDERies, fancy goods, bronzes, &c., just received from auction, and for sale much below the usual prices, at

R. BROWN'S, No. 645½ Broadway.

FURS.

LADIES' FANCY FURS.

Beautiful mink capes,
Beautiful mink victorines and cuffs,
Beautiful mink muffs,
Fine Hudson Bay sable,

Genuine, rich and rare:

Pure royal ermine,
Handsome stone marten and fitch,
Real Russian sable,
Very fine chinchilla and genet

With every other description of fur at greatly reduced prices. GEORGE BULPIN, No. 361 Broadway.

N. B.—All our stock at from 25 to 50 per cent. below former prices.

LADIES CAN SEE THE CHOICEST ASSORTMENT OF FINE MINK ARTICLES, AT HARLEY'S.

No. 34 John-st., and No. 53 Maiden-lane.

CHOICE FURS FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Sable, Ermine, Mink, &c.,
At HARLEY'S,
No. 34 John-st., and No. 53 Maiden-lane.
Just received, a few $5 sets.

FURS—LANDRY'S FURS.

None to surpass them this season.
Orders carefully executed. No. 626 Broadway.

FURS, FURS, FURS.—HOLIDAY PRESENTS. P. H. PHILLIPS begs most respectfully to call the attention of the public to his removal from No. 327, corner of Grand and Bowery, to No. 279 Grand-st., where he has now on hand a splendid assortment of fashionable Furs, consisting of Talma, Cardinal, Cape, Victorines, Muffs, Cuffs, &c., all being of his own selection and manufacture. *He therefore can sell a single set at wholesale prices.* Ladies, we defy competition; therefore do not submit to Broadway prices, as we can sell twenty-five per cent. less than any other house. Call at *PHILLIPS' Fur Emporium*, No. 279 Grand-st. N. B.—Also, a large assortment of Misses' Furs, Trimmings, Fur Gloves, Sleigh Robes, &c. &c. The highest price paid for shipping Furs.

FURS, FURS.—A LARGE AND CHOICE ASsortment, for ladies and misses, unsurpassed by any. Misses' and children's beavers, in all their varieties; the newest styles of children's velvet and cloth caps.

KELLOGG, Manufacturer, No. 126 Canal-st.

CONFECTIONARY.

CONFECTIONARY.—THE SUBSCRIBER IS now receiving orders for every description of confectionary, cakes, meat-dishes, oysters, &c., for the holidays. A profusion of beautiful French mottoes and fancy boxes now on exhibition.

Orders for boned turkeys, salads, oysters, &c., should be sent in early. N. CLARK,

No. 805 Broadway, corner of 13th-st.

FRENCH CONFECTIONERY NO. 94½ FULton-st., cream and fancy bonbons, cornucopias, boxes, baskets, &c., chocolate, cream and caramels, Iceland Moss and Marshmallow paste, orange, lemon, pine apple, &c.; liquid gum drops, crystallized fruits, jelly drops, torpedo mottoes, cream dates, cream madeira nuts. No. 94½ Fulton-st., near William.

FURNITURE.

SCHOOL FURNITURE.—SEALED PROPOsals for fitting up and furnishing the new School-house No. 20, in Christie-st., near Delancey, directed to the School Officers of the Tenth Ward, will be received at the Board of Education, corner of Grand and Elm sts., until the third day of January next, at 3 o'clock P. M.—said work to be done according to plans and specifications, which may be seen at the office of THOS. R. JACKSON, Esq., Architect, No. 230 Broadway. The School Officers reserve the right to reject any or all of the proposals.

JACOB RAYNOR,
J. M. BELL,
JACOB LEON,
WILLIAM JONES, Jr.,
} Committee.

ENAMELED CHAMBER FURNITURE—AT E. H. T. FARRINGTON'S Manufactory Warerooms Nos. 46 and 48 Wooster-st., between Grand and Broome

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.—The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, in this village and at South Hainbridge, under the name of SHEPARSON & BEATTY, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent. All debts and accounts against the firm will be settled by SIMEON SHEPARSON, who will be found at the old stands.

SIMEON SHEPARSON,
WM. C. BEATTY.

Hainbridge, Chenange Co., Saturday, Dec. 13, 1856.

A LARGE STOCK OF THE FINEST DESCRIPTION of imported ladies' Gaiters, Shoes, Slippers, and Dancing Shoes. In consequence of the dissolution of partnership of the Misses HILL & COLBY, No. 371 Broadway, their stock will be disposed of at reduced prices. Ladies, now is the time to purchase.

SOMETHING NEW IN DRY GOODS.

GREAT HOLIDAY BARGAINS.

CHANGE AT HAND BRICK.

In addition to my usual large and well-selected stock of staples, they are now reduced 10 per cent. from 25 to 50 per cent. below former rates.

[Dense price list of dress goods, shawls, cloaks, furs, and other dry goods.]

GEORGE BULPIN,
No. 361 Broadway.

LACE AND MUSLIN DRAPERIES,

In every variety of price and style.

A new and handsome set of Curtains,

Being an indispensable article for

The parlors on New-Year's Day.

The ladies will find a superior

Assortment at BEEKMAN & COMPANY'S,

No. 478 Broadway.

GREAT SALE OF DRY GOODS.

Selling off, selling off.

A rare chance to buy

CHEAP GOODS.

Ladies should examine and judge for themselves.

No. 703 Broadway,
near Fourth-st.

CHARLES HEARD & CO.'S CLOSING SALE DRY GOODS, OF EVERY DESCRIPTION,

Reduced 40 per cent.

To close the Stock
No. 501 Grand-st.

A HANDSOME AND USEFUL

PRESENT FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Is a dress of our 6c. Silks,

Which have been selling for 8c. and 10c.

BEEKMAN & COMPANY, No. 478 Broadway.

CHARLES HEARD & CO.'S CLOSING SALE OF LUPIN'S STRENGH MERINOES,

Reduced 40 per cent.

To close the Stock.
No. 501 Grand-st.

EVERY LADY SHOULD EXAMINE THE PRICES OF DRY GOODS AT THE GREAT SALE,

No. 703 Broadway,
near Fourth-st.

CHARLES HEARD & CO.'S CLOSING SALE HOUSEKEEPERS' GOODS,

Reduced 40 per cent.

To close the Stock.
No. 501 Grand-st.

DRY GOODS.

The cheapest ever offered in New-York.

ANOTHER GREAT SACRIFICE IN FURS.

J. BECK & CO.,

No. 355 Broadway,

Having determined to sell off their entire rich Winter stock of Dry Goods before the 1st of January, have marked down the prices to half cost.

Silks,
Shawls,
Cloaks,
Merinoes,
De Laines,
Linens,
Blankets,
Flannels,
Hosiery,
Curtains,
Muslins,
Mourning,
Embroideries,
Laces, &c.,
&c., &c.,
AT 50 PER CENT.
BELOW COST.

PRESENTS.

CHEAP, ELEGANT, AND USEFUL.
ENGLISH PRINTS. (FAST COLORS.)
At 6½c. per yard.
EXTRA QUALITY WOOL PLAIDS,
At 2c. 6d. per yard.
LUPIN'S FRENCH MERINOES,
At 6c. and 8c. per yard.
MOUSSELINE DE LAINES,
(Latest Styles.)
At 12c. 6d. per yard.
CLOAKS, SHAWLS, SILKS, HOSIERY,
&c., &c., &c.
A. T. STEWART & CO.,
Broadway, Chambers and Reade sts.

TREMENDOUS REDUCTION.

ENORMOUS SACRIFICE.

CLOSING OUT FALL AND WINTER GOODS.

$30,000 worth of new silks reduced 30 per cent.

A good silk dress, full 12 yards, for $6 75; higher qualities proportionably reduced.

Also, the balance of light silks and satins, suitable for evening dress, cut at a great sacrifice. Desirable colors in satins as low as 4s. and 4s. 6d.; originally low.

$15,000 worth of square and long shawls, Persian shawls warranted free from cotton as low as $2; wool shawls, $3 50.

Merinoes, Paramattas and plaids reduced to cost, and less than cost. The assortment of the above goods is very complete, and for variety is not excelled by any house in the City. Superior paramattas, all colors, merino finished, reduced to 1s., 6c., 8c.

Cloaks reduced to cost. $5 cloaks reduced to $3. $6 circulars reduced to $4 and $4 50. Higher qualities reduced $2 to $5 each. H. B. CLAFF & CO.,

Nos. 57 and 59 Catharine-st., corner of Monroe.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

WILL OPEN ON MONDAY, DEC. 22,

TEN CASES OF RICH DRY GOODS,

Especially selected with a view to their adaptation for HOLIDAY PRESENTS,

Such as

BROCHE AND STELLA SHAWLS,
CLOAKS, VELVET AND CLOTH,
SILKS, NEWEST STYLES AND BEST QUALITIES,
FRENCH EMBROIDERIES
In great variety,
MUSLIN DE LAINES AND POPLINS,
With a first-class assortment of general Dry Goods.

G. B. WILLIAMS,

No. 347 Broadway, cor. of Leonard-st.

RICH HOLIDAY GIFTS.

REAL INDIA CAMELS' HAIR SHAWLS AND SCARFS,
RICH LACE GOODS
AND
SUPERB EMBROIDERIES,
in handsome boxes,
Imported expressly for
NEW-YEAR'S PRESENTS.
A. T. STEWART & CO.,
Broadway, Chambers and Reade sts.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO THE LADIES.

GREAT BARGAINS IN SILKS.

G. P. WILLIAMS begs to inform the ladies of New-York and adjacent cities, that he has reduced the prices of his entire stock of Fancy Silks, thus:

8c. Silks reduced to 7c. cents per yard.
10c. Silks reduced to 8½ per yard.
12c. Silks reduced to 9½ 25 per yard.
14c. Silks reduced to 11 87½ per yard.
16c. Silks reduced to 12 50 per yard.
20c. Silks reduced to 15 per yard.

The above figures show a reduction of over 25 per cent. Further comment is unnecessary.

No. 347 Broadway, corner of Leonard-st.

TO1 FAMILIES *DESIROUS OF REFURNISHING* THEIRS, before Christmas.

The subscribers have made arrangements to execute, in a few days, (in the best manner,) all orders for

ENGLISH AND FRENCH CARPETS,
SATIN DAMASK, BROCATEL,
DAMAS LAINE, BORDERED SATIN,
BROCHE, LAMPAS, REPS, &c., &c.,
CURTAINS.

And all other goods connected with this branch of their business. A. T. STEWART & CO.,

Broadway, Chambers and Reade sts.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Point de gaze, Honiton and Valenciennes laces, lace sets, collars and sleeves, handkerchiefs, &c., French and Scotch embroideries of every description. Flounced silk and Illusion robes, and many other articles suitable for holiday presents, for sale cheap by

ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.,
Canal-st., near Broadway.

SILKS FOR DEMI TOILET.

(received by the *Africa.*)

2 *cases of Chene* and Bayadere Styles,
Suitable for Reception Dresses,
Open on MONDAY, Dec. 22.

A. T. STEWART & CO.
Broadway, Chambers and Reade sts.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

DE LAINES, DE LAINES, DE LAINES.

Just received

10 cases of De Laines,

Which will be offered for sale

On Monday Dec. 22, N. B.—These goods are very desirable, and adapted for Holiday Presents.

G. B. WILLIAMS,

No. 347 Broadway, cor. Leonard-st.

POINT LACES.

Just received for the Holidays, a superb assortment of Point Lace sets, from $20 to $100; Point Aguille Capes, from $15 to $110; Collars, Coiffures, &c., very rich; cushion-made Valenciennes Collars, with sleeves to match, from $20 the set upwards. As all our laces are imported direct from the manufacturers, we have the advantage of those who make their selections in Paris.

MILLER & GRANT, No. 371 Broadway.

GENTLEMEN'S PARIS KID GLOVES.

(A cheap lot for the Holidays.)

At 4s. per pair,

Will be opened on Monday, Dec. 22

A. T. STEWART & CO.,

Broadway, Chambers and Reade sts.

SELLING OFF

PREPARATORY TO REMOVAL.

Fall and Winter dress goods at a great sacrifice.

ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.,
Canal-st., near Broadway.

CLOTHING,

For Men and Boys, of every size and quality, to be almost given away, at No. 97 Fulton-st., New-York.

This is the best chance that can ever be offered to get clothing, wholesale or retail.

EVENING DRESS GOODS,

RICH SILK AND VELVET FLOUNCED ROBES IN EVERY NEW COLORS.

ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.,
Canal-st., near Broadway.

DRY GOODS.

[Dense price list of dress goods, shawls, cloaks, furs, and other dry goods.]

CHARLES HEARD & CO.'S CLOSING SALE RICH PLAIN AND PLAID SILKS,

Reduced 40 per cent.

To close the Stock.
No. 501 Grand-st.

HOLIDAY PRESENTS, HOLIDAY PRESENTS,

GREAT BARGAINS IN CLOAKS.

BEEKMAN & COMPANY, No. 478 Broadway,

Will from THIS MORNING, Dec. 22,

Sell the balance of

Their stock of Velvet and Cloth Cloaks,

At less than cost.

CHARLES HEARD & CO.'S CLOSING SALE RICH LYONS VELVETS,

Reduced 40 per cent.

To close the Stock.
No. 501 Grand-st.

DRY GOODS AT A

Tremendous sacrifice,

At the great sale

No. 703 Broadway,
near Fourth-st.

CHARLES HEARD & CO.'S CLOSING SALE RICH BROCHE SHAWLS,

Reduced 40 per cent.

To close the Stock.
No. 501 Grand-st.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

CHANGE OF BUSINESS.

CHARLES G. HOOK, No. 703 Broadway, New-York, would announce to his numerous customers and the public generally, that, having made arrangements to enter the IMPORTING AND JOBBING BUSINESS, he is compelled to

RELINQUISH THE RETAIL TRADE

On or Before the First of February, 1857.

He will now offer,

Commencing on MONDAY, DECEMBER 22,

AT A TREMENDOUS SACRIFICE,

His entire stock of

RICH, ELEGANT AND USEFUL
FANCY AND DOMESTIC DRY GOODS,

Among which the ladies will find

RICH SILKS, (In Plain and Robe Patterns,)
RICH LYONS VELVET,
LUPIN'S FRENCH MERINOES,
SAXONY WOOL PLAIDS,
CASHMERE AND PARAMATTAS,
FRENCH, ENGLISH AND DOMESTIC PRINTS.

ALSO,

An extensive assortment of

RICH LACES AND EMBROIDERIES,

Comprising in variety,

HONITON LACE (in sets),
FRENCH EMBROIDERIES,
POINT LACE COLLARS,
EMBROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS,
SLEEVES, TRIMMINGS, &c., &c., &c.
EMBROIDERED LACE AND MUSLIN
WINDOW CURTAINS,
(Entire sets),

HOUSE AND HOTEL KEEPERS

are particularly solicited to examine our unsurpassed stock of

PURE IRISH LINENS,

consisting in part of

RICH SATIN DAMASK TABLE CLOTH,
DAMASK DIAPERS and CLOTH,
NAPKIN, DOYLIES and TOWELING,
PURE LINEN SHIRTINGS,
SHEETINGS and
PILLOW-CASINGS,
MARSEILLES QUILTS AND COUNTERPANES,
FLANNELS AND BLANKETS,
BRITISH AND GERMAN HOSIERY,
DOMESTIC COTTONS,
CLOTH, CASSIMERES AND VESTINGS.

In retiring from the Retail Dry Goods business, with which he has been connected for the past fourteen years, CHAS. G. HOOK would return his sincere thanks to his numerous patrons for past favors, and hopes a continuance of the same will enable him

TO CLOSE THE ENTIRE STOCK

BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1857.

To those who are not already acquainted with his mode of doing business, for the past fourteen years, his assertion of

REDUCING THE PRICES FIFTY PER CENT. ON THE ORIGINAL COST.

is a sufficient guarantee.

TO STRANGERS VISITING THE CITY,

a personal inspection of these Goods and the prices, will satisfy the most skeptical of

THE IMMENSE SACRIFICE.

CHAS. G. HOOK, No. 703 Broadway.

FROM AUCTION.

SHAWLS, SHAWLS.

$700 Long and Square Broche Shawls, from auction. Bargains.

1,000 Long and Square Wool Shawls. Best manufacture. Great bargains.

CLOAKS.

The best assortment in New-York, at greatly reduced prices.

A good gray Cloak for $3.

A full assortment, $3 50, $4 50, $4 75, and $5.

Together with all our best Cloaks, at a great reduction.

JUST & CO.,
No. 51 Catharine-st.
4 doors from Monroe.

EMBROIDERIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Honiton Sets,
Point Applique Sets, Inserted Sets,
Real Point Sets, Breakfast Sets,
Valenciennes Sets. Medallion Sets,
French Guipure Sets,

At JAMES CROPSEY'S,
No. 481 Broadway.

DRY GOODS SELLING OFF.

The entire stock of dry goods in

No. 447 8th-av., between 32d and 34th sts.,

Must be sold off without reserve.

Before the 1st of February next.

Store to let and fixtures for sale.

OLIVER MOWBRAY.

BLACK AND DARK GRAY BRAVER CLOAKS,

A great bargain for $10.

At W. JACKSON'S New Mourning Store,
No. 551 Broadway, between Spring and Prince sts.

THE CHEAPEST SILKS

IN THE CITY

At 5s. 6c. and 7s. Reduced from 7s. 8c. and 9s.

ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.,
Canal-st., near Broadway.

A NEW LOT OF VALENCIENNES EDGINGS for 1s. per yard, worth 2s.; point a l'aiguille collars for $7 50, worth $12; do. collars and sleeves at proportionably low prices. A fine line of valenciennes (last) collar and sleeves, very low; black thread sets for $8, worth $12. Paris and other embroideries, in all the latest styles. Illusion goods in all conceivable designs. A new style of infant's cap, the richest ever offered.

BAILEY, FARRINGTON & LESLIE,
No. 263 Broadway.

MME. DEMOREST'S NEW-YORK EMPORIUM of Fashion, exclusively for Ladies' and children's apparel, No. 375 Broadway. The first and only premium was again awarded to Mme. Demorest by the American Institute at the Crystal Palace, for the best system of dress-cutting. Every lady who studies taste and economy in dress should learn this system. It is acquired in a few minutes, and the whole expense, including all necessary apparatus, is only $10. Reliable and accurate waist patterns cut to fit the form. New designs for sleeves, cloaks and basque waists just received.

TO THE LADIES, MILLINERS, DRESSmakers, AND OTHERS.—A wholesale stock at retail until Jan. 1, consisting of embroideries, real point lace, French flowers, feathers, dress and cloak trimmings, skirts of all styles, a large assortment of French corsets for sale at less than importing cost, at No. 1 Barclay-st., opposite the Astor House, third door from Broadway.

STEEL-SPRING SKIRTS—GUTTA PERCHA—crinoline, hair-cloth, quilted cotton, whalebone, &c., for ladies, girls, and children; ladies' skirt suspenders, a new article; shoulder braces, zephyr hoods, and shawls; French wove corsets, black lace veils, laces, embroideries, muslin and lace caps, embroidered collars and sleeves, &c. For sale at No. 705 Broadway.

LADIES' HOOPS.—GUTTA PERCHA CORD IS now adopted for ladies' skirts, in preference to any other article. Wholesale and retail, by SAMUEL C. BISHOP, sole manufacturer in the United States, No. 161 Broadway.

IRON AND HARDWARE.

WIRE ROPE—WIRE ROPE

FOR ALL KINDS OF HOISTING, including SUGAR HOUSES, MINES, INCLINED PLANES, &c. Also, for STANDING RIGGING, for vessels of every description, and SASH WEIGHTS FOR WINDOWS.

ASHCROFT'S STEAM GAUGES, DUDGEON'S HYDRAULIC JACKS, ALLEN & ROGERS' METALLIC PACKING, &c., for STEAM VESSELS, ENGINES, BOILERS and MACHINERY bought and sold on commission. CHAS. W. COPELAND,

Consulting Engineer, No. 46 Broadway, New-York.

Also, PLANS and SPECIFICATIONS prepared.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—TO MERCHANTS AND SHIPPERS.—Shippers of freight to Cincinnati, Louisville, Indianapolis, St. Louis, and all Southwestern points, should make their contracts with the responsible agents of the New-York and Erie, or New-York Central Railroads, and mark their goods, C. C. & C. All goods marked or shipped by Spaulding's Express, so called, leave the direct (C. C. & C.) Road at Grafton, and are sent around by the Cleveland and Toledo and the Mad River Roads.

J. J. HOLISTER,
Agent C. C. & C. R. R.

The C. C. & C. Road have exclusive connection with the mail line of steamers to Louisville and other points on the Ohio River.

HIS BEARD FRESH CROPPED DENOTED VIGOROUS MANHOOD.—Whiskers and moustaches can be produced in six weeks by using GRAHAM'S ONGUENT, and it will not stain or injure the skin, as I've been telling you so for five years, and will soon stop falling, &c., &c., &c., says the patrons of the country. R. C. GRAHAM, No. 202½ Broadway; ZIEBER, No. 44 South 3d-st., Philadelphia.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

NEW-YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.—The Annual Meeting of the Society will be held at their House, in Second-av., corner of Eleventh-st., on TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, at 7½ o'clock, at which time the Report of the Executive Committee will be presented, and the Officers for the ensuing year, &c., will be elected.

GEORGE H. MOORE, } Secretaries.
PHILIP G. BENEDICT, }

Members of the Society, may obtain tickets of admission for themselves and friends, at the Library, or from the Committee.

MASONIC.—THE MEMBERS OF LA FAYETTE Lodge, No. 204, Free and Accepted Masons, are requested to attend a regular meeting of the Lodge, at their rooms, No. 514 Broadway, THIS EVENING, at the Masonic Temple, at 7½ o'clock, for the purpose of balloting for candidates for annual election for officers. By order,

W. IRVING ADAMS, Secretary.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION.—The regular meeting will be held in the Clinton Hall, Astor-place, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, at 7½ o'clock, when a paper will be read by CLEMENT D. NEWMAN, Esq., on "In what Manner and to what Extent the Scriptures Inspired."

POLITICAL NOTICES.

AT THE REQUEST OF A LARGE NUMBER of the members of the American Party of the State of New-York, subordinate to the State Council organized at Syracuse on the 30th day of August last, a State Convention of the American Party, with approval and sanction of the State Council, is hereby appointed to be held at Syracuse, on Tuesday, the 30th day of December next, at 12 o'clock at noon, to consider measures for the organization of our State and union of all parties in favor of our principles of government. The Americans in each Assembly District in the State, in connection with this State Council, are requested to appoint one delegate and one alternate to the said Convention. All who are in favor of Americans ruling America, opposed to foreign influence, and against the control and dictation in our country, and against the further introduction of Slavery north of Lat. 36° 30' north, are invited to join in electing the said delegates.

ANDROSE STEVENS,
President of State Council.

BATAVIA, Nov. 20, 1856.

TWENTY-SECOND WARD.—IN PURSUance of the recommendation of the Republican General Committee, a meeting of the Republican Association of the XXIId Ward will be held at No. 236 West 23d-st., on TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, at 7 o'clock P. M., to elect five delegates to the Republican Central Committee; also five delegates to the Young Men's Central Committee. Polls open from 7 to 9 o'clock P. M.

By order. SAMUEL SCOTT,
W. BEACHETT,
JAS. D. WARNER,
Dr. J. C. HEPBURN,
LEBBEUS R. WARD,
ARTHUR FLYNN,
JAS. E. COULTER,
} Vice-Presidents.
WILLIAM T. GRAFF, Secretary.

FRANCIS B. GUEST, Treasurer.

KINGS COUNTY REPUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE.—At a meeting held on Monday evening, Dec. 8, 1856, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That we recommend to the Wards and Towns to hold meetings on TUESDAY EVENING, (23d inst.,) commencing at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of electing 7 delegates from their respective Wards or Towns, to represent them in General Committee for the ensuing year, (said delegates must be residents of the Wards or Towns of which they are sent, at the time of the election,) and that the delegates be requested to meet at the house of Mr. PERRY, Joralemon-st., on the 3d Tuesday of January next to organize. By order,

JOHN G. BERGEN, President.

S. ALPHEUS SMIT

AUCTION SALES.

By Bangs, Merwin & Co., Auctioneers.

ON FOR SALE, DEC. 29, AT 10 o'clock, at the Store No. 59 Beekman-st., a large assortment of Millwaukee R. R. 1st Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds; Illinois Central R. R. 1st Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds; Michigan (Ill.) S. R. 1st Mortgage 8 per cent. Bonds; Rockford and Horicon R. R. 1st Mortgage 8 per cent. Bonds; Rock River R. R. 1st Mortgage 8 per cent. Bonds; New-Haven R. R. 1st Mortgage 6 per cent. Bonds; Cleveland and Erie Co. 1st Mortgage 8 per cent. Bonds; Cleveland and Pittsburg R. R. 2d Mortgage 7 per cent. Bonds; Schuylkill Mining and Manufacturing Co.'s Bonds; Delaware and Hudson Canal Coal Certificates; Illinois Central R. R. Co. Certificates; Western R. R. 50 each; Harlem R. R. Co. Certificates; Hudson River R. R. Co. Certificates; Harlem R. R. Co. Certificates; Long Island R. R. Co. Certificates; Canton Co. Certificates; Mechanics' Banking Association Certificates; Mechanics' Banking Association Certificates; Mechanics' Banking Association

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POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

A CASE OF ASSAULT AND BATTERY, that occasioned some considerable excitement, and charge amount of ridiculousness, came off two days since before Justice Welsh, at the Fourth-district Police Court. The complainant was Mr. Pell, son of the late Superintendent of the New-York Orphan Asylum, and the defendant, Bernard Cummiskey, the gardener of the same institution. Bernard has been connected with the institution from childhood, his father, who died many years ago, having also been gardener to the institution. It appears from the testimony taken then between the children of Mr. Pell and the other inmates of the asylum, that a feeling has existed, and which in consequence, teachers have been dismissed and much ill-feeling engendered. Between young Cummiskey and the first-named parties frequent wordy altercations have taken place, the latter stoutly alleging that the orphans were cruelly beaten and otherwise ill-used, and the provisions of the Asylum were embezzled away, and misappropriated. These difficulties finally culminated in the charge made before Justice Welsh, wherein Mr. Pell deposed that he had been violently assaulted and beaten by Cummiskey without any just cause or provocation. It appears by the evidence that the complainant entered the house of the accused and began to violently upbraid him for some remarks attributed to him concerning the management of affairs at the Asylum. Cummiskey was at his supper at the time; and, as his mother was lying dangerously ill in an adjoining room, he requested Pell to cease his remarks and leave the premises. The request, though four times repeated, was not complied with, whereupon Cummiskey expelled Pell by force, whereby Mrs. Cummiskey's nerves were greatly excited, and her position rendered more critical.

The charge was promptly dismissed by the Magistrate, who severely reprimanded Pell for his indiscreet behavior.

The examination attracted a great many interested parties to the Court room.

HOLLOWAY VERSUS LEITH.

The examination of the charge made against one Wm. Leith, a drug-broker, for forging the wrappers and trade-marks used in the sale of Holloway's ointment and pills, was commenced on Saturday, before Justice Connolly, at the Lower Police Court.

Mr. Driver, the agent for Mr Holloway in this country, was re-examined and cross-examined at great length as to his connection with and the powers given him as sole agent in this country by Mr. Holloway.

One of the proprietors of a printing establishment in Cedar-street identified the defendant as the person by whom he was employed to print 10,000 *fac-simile* wrappers of a pink color, which were sent from Holloway's establishment, and used as a wrapper for the medicines sent out. The bills for such printing were made out as "Mr Blanch," but defendant's name was afterwards understood to be Johnson. When he first called relative to the printing of the pamphlets, he inquired the cost, and said he could make no agreement until he could hear from the West. He called again in a few days afterwards, and ordered the printing, saying it could be done cheaper here than in St. Louis or Cincinnati.

The whole transaction came to the ears of Holloway's agent here in consequence of Leith's failure to pay a bill to the printers at the time specified. The printer, supposing the work to be done for the house of Holloway, made inquiries at his office here, when the true facts were elicited.

The case is still under examination.

THE TICKET SWINDLERS.

The confessions of the ticket swindlers who herd in the First Ward is astonishing. They carry on their fraud trade with the most shameful impunity and daring. Every day seems to add to their strength and *increase the number of their victims. Whenever* arrested they manage some way or other to escape from punishment. Thursday morning Charles Harris, a gentlemanly young man from Philadelphia, named Williams, and Hickory, the man sent to California, applied for protection at the Mayor's Office, saying that although he had tried three times to purchase his ticket at the right office, he had each time been set upon by the runners and beaten back, because he would not accompany them to a house of concern.

How much longer will such conduct be tolerated? Cannot an example be made of these swindling villains?

AN UNFORTUNATE MAN.

Mr. Joseph A. Sherman, of New-Orleans, who was violently assaulted at the United States District Court-house the other day, by a person whose arrest he caused, for taking from the Post-Office, opening and detaining his letters, and thereby putting him to great loss, is an unfortunate man. Unwillingly detained here by reason of the detention of his letters, time hangs somewhat heavily; so, despite the heavy rain, he went on Saturday evening to look at the fire in Cedar-street. While being jostled among the crowd, he was attracted by the exclamation of a bystander, who said: "I have lost my purse!" and, on looking around, to his great astonishment, that he, too, had lost his wallet, containing nearly $600 in notes, with various checks, &c., of large value.

He had it but a few moments before in his pantaloons pocket, and there is no doubt but that it was *extracted therefrom by some adroit professor of the* art. He made complaint to the Chief's Office, and an officer was despatched to try and ferret out the thief; but *did not* succeed in doing so. Mr. Sherman's visit to New-York has been unpleasant and unprofitable; *but he may attribute all of his mishaps* here to the unfortunate circumstance of his having been the same initials and surname borne by an irascible member of the New-York bar.

A DANGEROUS WARD.

A fellow named Marco Van Wart was committed on Saturday by Justice Osborne on a charge of knocking down and robbing one William Douglass of $2. He was locked up for examination.

Miscellaneous.

ACCIDENTAL DROWNING.

An unknown man was drowned about 6 o'clock on Saturday evening, by slipping off the pier at the foot of Forty-seventh-street, East River, while under the influence of liquor. The accident was observed by Mr. Mathews, a night watchman, who hastened to the rescue. He lowered a boat-hook, which the drowning man clutched, but when drawn up almost to the top he let go his hold, and, falling again into the water, sank beneath the surface. Search was soon afterwards made for the body by the Twenty-second Ward police, but they did not succeed in finding it.

DEATH FROM INTEMPERANCE AND EXPOSURE.

The body of an unknown woman was found yesterday morning in a doorway in Mission-place, Five Points. Her name was unknown, but she was recognized as a miserable creature who had often been seen wandering through the Points, half-clad and crazed with liquor. No marks of violence were found upon her person. Coroner Connery held an inquest upon the body, and the jury rendered a verdict of "Death from intemperance and exposure." Deceased was about 38 years of age. Her birthplace is unknown.

GETTING TIGHT AND NEARLY DROWNED.

John Reed and John Wyckoff amused themselves on Saturday night by getting outrageously tight, and afterwards annoyed the police by falling overboard at Pier 23, East River. They were saved from drowning by Officers J. and P. Murphy, and then sent to their homes to dry.

ANOTHER CELLAR ACCIDENT.

Dennis Murphy, residing at No. 54 Oak-street, broke his arm, on Saturday evening, by falling into a cellar at the corner of Roosevelt-street and the Bowery. He was taken to the New-York Hospital by a Fourth Ward policeman.

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PURDY'S NATIONAL THEATRE.—This evening will be presented the long-looked for—the great—the gorgeous, brilliantly-grand and immensely-extensive pantomime of "Planche; or, The Lively Fairies," which has been prepared from the original models, (transmitted by Mons. PERRIN, of Wellington-street, Strand, London,) with extensive additions of new inventions of mechanism by Mr. WM. CRANE, (machinist to the establishment,) who has obtained patents for the same. All the original tricks and transformations, as performed in Europe, with very many additions, arranged by Mr. G. L. FOX. The scenery throughout entirely new and corresponding with descriptions of the original, with the appropriate additions by Mr. WILLIAMSON, artist to the Theatre. Gorgeous, appropriate, and ingenious properties, by Mr. ALFRED KING. The original music as performed in the old country, with many new introductions, composed by Mr. WM. T. PETTENGRUBER, musical director. New and beautiful costumes by Mme. LAFERNOR. The whole forming a combination of grandeur, astounding effects, ingenious tricks, comical transformations, &c., &c., never beheld on the stage of an American Theatre.

Several thousands dollars have been expended in the preparation of this stupendous pantomime, and neither pains, expense, nor care have been spared. The entire piece has been gotten up under the immediate direction and supervision of Mr. G. L. FOX, stage manager, assisted by the several artists of the establishment.

Those who have witnessed the rehearsals predict for it an astonishing run. The drama of the "Muleteer of Toledo" will commence the programme, giving all an opportunity to get to the Theatre in time to see the commencement of the pantomime, and the drama of "Imogene" will conclude the bill.

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GREAT FIRE IN STONE STREET.—The books, papers and money of Messrs. Hewitt and Co. were preserved in one of HERRING'S patent champion safes at the destruction of their warehouse by fire on Friday night, after being in the ruins about eighteen hours. These celebrated safes can only be had of the subscribers and their agents, S. C. HERRING & Co., Nos. 125, 127 and 129 Water-street, and No. 2 Murray-street, New-York.

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NOYES.—In this City, on Saturday night, Dec. 20, MARY EARLE, youngest daughter of Wm. Cazzie Noyes, aged 3 years.

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ZABRISKIE.—In Brooklyn, on Sunday, Dec. 21, SARAH BERRIEN, relict of Rev. John L. Zabriskie, in the 71st year of her age.

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10,000 Virginia 6s	90¾	200	do	b60	61¾
2,000 do	90¾	100	do	s10	62¾
5,000 N. Y. Cent. R. 6s	97½	100	do	c	62¾
2,000 do	97¾	250	do	b5	62
5,000 Ill. Cent. R. 6s	82¾	200	do	b5W	61
14 Ill. Cent. Rights	150	200	do	b60	61¾
2,000 Hud. Riv. R. 7s m.	86¾	150	Harlem Railroad	s3	10¾
7,000 T. P. & W. Rights	b. 89	10	Panama Railroad		97¾
20 Mer. Ex. Bank	100	50	Ill. Cen. R.	s5	121
10 Bank of Commerce	107	100	Reading R. R.	s5	84¾
50 Dutch. & Prov. Rk.	126	200	do		84¾
100 Gal. & Chi. R'd	119	1000	do	s60	84¾
100 do	118	1000	do	b60	84¾
5 do	116¾	500	do	b5	85
50 do	118¾	250	do	b5	85¼
50 Pacific M. Ss. Co.	137	150	do	c	84¾
100 Canton Co.	b60	22¾	50	Mich. S. & N. Ia. R.	s3	87¾
60 New-York Cen. R.	91	50	do		87¾
67 do	91¾	100	do	b30	88
150 do	s3	91¾	140	do	s3	87¾
200 do	b30	92¾	32	do	b5	87¾
100 do	s30	92¾	100	do	b30	88
420 do	c	91¾	150	R. I. R. R.		101¾
200 do	b30	92¾	50	do	s60	101¾
150 do	s60	91¾	33	do		102
100 do	b60	93¾	10	do		101¾
200 do	b60	93¾	10	Mil. R.	c	61
10 Mil. & Miss. R. R.		73¾	10	do	c	80¾
850 Clev. & Toledo R. R.		84	47	do	c	80¾
200 do	b60	75				

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$3,000 Ill. Cen. R. bs	s2	84¾	200	Reading RR.	s30	85
5,000 do	b6	94	600	do		85
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100 do		87	100	do	b5	85¼
75 do		91¾	100	do		85¾
100 do	b30	93¾	200	do	s10	85¾
200 Erie Railroad	s2	61	250	do	b30	86
50 do	b10	61¾	150	do	b5	85¾
200 do		61¾	50	Chi. & R. I. R.	s60	103¾
300 do	s60	61	50	do		103¾
100 Ill. Cent. R.	b60	121¾	100	Mic. So. & N. Ia. R.	s2	89
100 do	s30	121¾	100	do		89¾
50 Cleve. & Tol. R.		75¾	400	do	s60	90
100 do	b15	74	950	do		89¾
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MONDAY, Dec. 22—A. M.

The Foreign trade at this port the past week exhibits an Import of Foreign merchandise, including the Dry Goods table in our last paper, of $2,917,654, against $2,811,892 the same week last December. The Exports of Domestic Produce and Miscellaneous Goods amount to $1,378,200, against $1,981,891 same week last year. The Export of Specie, direct, was $127,419, including $63,000 by the *Atlantic*, for Liverpool on Saturday. There was also $260,000 sent to Boston for export by the Cunard steamer on Wednesday. On the other hand, the deliveries of Gold from the California steamers on Monday amounted to $1,362,438. These figures would make an apparent difference of $1,478,069 in favor of the Bank reserve, but as the average of last week was a declining one, and large additional sums have been sent off to the Southern market, by express and coast steamers, say from $100,000 to $150,000 a day, the probability is that the average to be made up this afternoon will show but a moderate increase on the *total of last Monday—$10,852,521. The Money* market during the week was decidedly close, and larger differences than usual were paid to carry Stocks and other demand engagements over the new year. At the same time, mercantile paper, while in fair request with the Discount Brokers, has also felt the change in the Street inquiry for Money, and the rates of discount may be quoted 1 ₱ cent. on first and 2 ₱ cent. on second-class names dearer than the previous week. We quote the former 9@10 ₱ cent. ₱ annum; the latter 12@14 ₱ cent. The differences paid on time bargains at the Stock Exchange have ranged from 12@18 ₱ cent. ₱ annum, notwithstanding which the market, under the belief that the pressure is but temporary and only the usual concomitant of closing up a large amount of business with the out-going of the old year, has moved with more than ordinary steadiness on most of the list, as will be seen by the following

COURSE OF STOCK PRICES FOR THE FORTNIGHT.

	Saturday, Dec. 6.	Saturday, Dec. 13.	Saturday, Dec. 20.
Virginia 6s	94	84½	93
Missouris	89½	89½	88¼
Tennessees	91¾	92	92
New-York Central	91¾	92¾	93
Erie	61¾	61½	61
Reading	84¾	84¾	85¾
Toledo	74¾	74¾	73¾
Galena	116½	118¾	118¾
Michigan Central	93¾	96¾	97¾
Southern Michigan	89	88¾	88¼
Panama	98¼	99	97¾
Illinois Centrals	93	93¾	94
Cleveland & Pittsburg	53¾	54¾	55¾
Rock Island	103¾	104¾	103¾
Pennsylvania Coal	98	99	98¾
Del. & Hudson	130 ex-d.	119	119
Illinois Central Scrip	117¼	119¼	120¾

The dividends declared during the week, but not yet officially recognized in the dealings at the Board, are 12¾ ₱ cent. in scrip on the Rock Island, payable 6th January; 5 ₱ cent. on the Michigan Central; 6 ₱ cent. on the Cleveland and Columbus; 5 ₱ cent. regular and 10 ₱ cent. extra on the Cleveland, Painesville and Ashtabula; 4 ₱ cent. on the Rome and Watertown; 4 ₱ cent. on the Mechanics' Bank; 5 ₱ cent. on the La Crosse; and 5 ₱ cent. on the Milwaukee and Mississippi. The New-York Central Company, through their Treasurer, Mr. PRUYN, now in London, have arranged a transfer and dividend agency, for the convenience of their European share and bond-holders, with Messrs. GEORGE PEABODY & Co., the certificates to be subject to registration also, and countersignature at the Union Bank of London. And we understand that a considerable number of certificates have gone out from the New-York agency of Messrs. DUNCAN, SHERMAN & Co., subject to the new arrangement. The Delaware and Hudson Canal Company have made Mr. ROBERT SOUTTER, for some time past an acting officer in the concern, their Vice-President permanently. Mr. S. is well known in this City and Philadelphia as an old and highly-intelligent merchant. The New-York and Erie Direction, according to an announcement in a morning paper of Saturday, which bears an authentic impress, have, after consultation, determined upon dividing in April the first million of dollars, or 10 ₱ cent. on the shares, accumulated in the Dividend or Sinking Fund. They have also determined thereafter to divide the accumulations of the fund as they reach half a million of dollars, instead of the longer and certainly more objectionable mode of holding for $1,000,000. The Directors, it is added, are unwilling to hold out the prospect of moderate cash dividends, in addition to the Scrip substituted for the funded debt, earlier than the close of the new fiscal year, 1st October, 1857. The necessity for this postponement does not appear on the face of their last tabular statement, and its wisdom as a financial measure, having reference to the credit of the Stock, the market standard of which is too low for the magnitude of the concern and its successful traffic for the past two years, will no doubt be severely questioned. But it is nevertheless well that the foregoing announcement has been made, and particularly will not the contributions to the Sinking Fund, at least, see to secure more regularly to the Shareholders in each fiscal year.

According to the official monthly returns of the Foreign Trade at New-York, rendered by the Custom-House, and which we published in tabular form a few days since, the Import of Foreign Merchandise, for the calendar year, from 1st January to the 1st December inst., amounted to.....$199,979,000
Add three weeks in December.....9,969,970

Total to date.....$209,507,970
Against same time last year.....165,019,904

Increase to date.....$61,488,066

The same tables make the Exports of Domestic Produce and Miscellaneous goods, (including Foreign reëxported,) to Dec. 1.....$74,170,000
Add three weeks in December.....5,466,673

Total to date.....$79,636,673
Against same time in 1855.....68,246,443

Increase to date.....$11,141,230

The same tables make the Export of Specie, direct from New-York, from 1st January to 1st December.....$35,441,000
Add three weeks in December.....1,512,886

Total to date.....$36,953,886
Against same time in 1855.....27,203,878

Increase to date.....$9,749,508

Our Gold tables for the calendar year to the 1st December made the deliveries at this port of California Bullion.....$36,838,100
Add deliveries in December.....1,866,488

Total to date.....$38,704,588
Against same date 1855.....33,070,952

Increase this year to date.....$5,634,099

The following is a comparative statement of the Exports hence, of the principal articles of domestic Produce, and Miscellaneous Goods, for the week and the corresponding week of last year:

	1855. Quantity.	1855. Value.	1856. Quantity.	1856. Value.
Cotton, bales	4,914	$501,098	4,141	$340,449
Flour, bbls	46,826	235,639	49,260	263,123
Corn Meal, bbls	2,400	8,400	1,120	4,760
Wheat, bushels	170,774	283,096	267,198	406,901
Corn, bushels	163,127	105,827	7,849	6,283
Pork, bbls. & tcs.	2,903	77,823	209	6,406
Beef, bbls. & tcs.	1,909	23,055	275	2,293
Total Produce		$1,362,458		1,056,510
Miscellaneous		726,963		321,690
Total for the week		$2,261,391		$1,378,200

NOVEMBER RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

	1856. November.	1855. November.
New-York Central	$745,411	$694,941
New-York and Erie	517,911	547,598
Pennsylvania Central	353,193	410,859
Baltimore and Ohio	404,950	390,118
Total four great lines	$2,041,404	$2,052,455
Michigan Central	321,394	305,096
Galena and Chicago	237,383	229,507
Rock Island	157,000	130,000
Burlington	187,900	151,994
Illinois Central	290,816	176,890
Toledo	107,874	90,652
Harlem	91,715	94,625
La Crosse	65,094	New.
Little Miami	103,919	77,262
Hudson River	137,533	120,859
New-Haven	78,899	83,994
Indiana Central	43,561	36,037
Fond du Lac	41,125	New.
St. Louis Pacific	90,251	New.
Pittsburg and Chicago	*147,704*	*107,467*
Cincinnati and Indianapolis	61,965	48,195
Norwich and Worcester	93,203	93,658
Cleveland and Columbus	114,848	112,745
Total 22 lines	$4,250,629	$3,808,036
Increase this season		10 ₱ cent.

We republish, by request, and direct attention to the reports of the Cleveland papers on the cause of the recent dreadful railway accident at Alliance.

The Railway Accident in Ohio.

From the Cleveland Herald, Dec. 19.

RAILROAD DISASTER AT ALLIANCE—WHAT THE TESTIMONY SHOWS.

From the first, we have had no doubt that great criminality was chargeable upon the person who gave the order to start the train upon the Pennsylvania and Ohio Road across the track of the approaching train from Wellsville, on the Cleveland and Pittsburg Road, and we have also thought that appearances indicated error in judgment—to say the least—upon the part of Engineer CHERRY in not stopping the Wellsville train before it reached the fatal crossing. The Coroner's investigation is concluded, and we are compelled *to say that, in our judgment, it exonerates* Engineer CHERRY from all blame.

1. As to what was done on the Wellsville train:

The testimony shows that the train left Bayard on time, and arrived at Alliance on time—distance 12 *miles, which was run in 25 minutes, being the regular* card time, and usual speed between those points, viz: at the rate of 30 miles per hour. The testimony of Mr